

# Canada Will Supply Britain With 60,000,000 Lbs. Bacon

## 15,800 Soft Coal Miners Walk Out Of Illinois Pits

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UP)—Some 15,800 United Mine Workers went on strike in Illinois and Indiana soft coal mines today, but elsewhere in the U.S. the miners remained on their sort work week.

All but 2,500 of the 18,000 United Mine Workers in Illinois went on strike. About 300 Indiana U.M.W. members walked out at the Viking mine near Terre Haute, Ind.

John L. Lewis was here, but did no comment about the walk-out.

The U.M.W. has been without nationwide soft coal contracts since last June when the operators first turned down Lewis' demands for a 95-cent daily wage, a 15-cent-a-ton increase in welfare fund royalties. The miners have been working a three-day week since early in November when they ended a 2-day walkout and returned to the pits.

Some operators had reached agreement with the U.M.W. but their number was small. Their bigger wage scales, which went into effect Sunday, had given

rise to the fears that miners still working at the lower rates would refuse to work today.

As it turned out, only miners in Illinois and Indiana refused to enter the pits.

Those mines that have settled with Lewis pay their workers \$15 a day and contribute 35 cents a ton to the union welfare fund. The holdout companies pay only \$14.55 a day and contribute 20 cents to the fund.

The Illinois and Indiana men quit even as the National Labor Relations Board was reported studying possible action to bring a showdown in the long dispute.

## Traffic Struggles Through Foot Of Snow Up-Island

Residents of Victoria and other Vancouver Island centres were shoveling out from under another winter snowstorm today. In Victoria the snow started New Year's Eve, let up during New Year's Day and Monday, and continued again last night. During the entire period, freezing temperatures prevailed.

Last night, an official low of 14 degrees was recorded at the Dominion Meteorological Observatory on Gonzales. The official high for Monday was 20 degrees.

There was skating on many ponds and lakes in the Greater Victoria area Sunday. Some of the heavier skaters, however, found the ice too thin to hold them and returned home with shilled bodies and wet clothing.

The weatherman here predicts continued snow but milder temperatures.

The Island Highway to northward points remains open and Vancouver Island Coach Lines buses are still getting through. Snow and ice make driving extremely difficult, however, and police advise private motorists to travel unless necessary.

On the Malahat, snow on the ground measures more than a foot in depth. About two inches fell overnight. The temperature dropped to around 10 degrees. Snow was still falling this morning.

**SKATING ON LAKE**  
At Cobble Hill, thermometers also dropped to 10 degrees. There

## Winter's Grip On Vancouver To Continue

VANCOUVER (CP)—Winter's grip over Vancouver and the lower mainland is not likely to relax for another 72 hours.

With temperatures hovering round five above zero even a light drop in warmer breezes from the Queen Charlotte region would plunge the mercury below zero, the weatherman said today.

The thermometer Monday night was only two degrees higher than the 1943 low and within four degrees of the 1907 record low of 1.8 degrees.

Snow-sprinkled streets were a boon to sleighriding youngsters over the city. Police blocked many streets as runs.

Vancouver, however, is warm compared with other parts of the province.

In the Cariboo it ranged from above to Prince George, where it was 30 below.

The Fraser River at Mission frozen from shore to shore. Vancouver lakes are not yet frozen for skating, police said.

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### Victorians Taking First R.C.A.F. Plane Around World

Group Capt. R. J. Lane, D.S.O., D.F.C. and Bar, conducting officer, and P.O. A. E. Tomkinson, navigator, both of Victoria, today are aboard an R.C.A.F. North Star carrying External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson and advisers to the Commonwealth ministers' conference to open Jan. 9 in Colombo, Ceylon. Flying eastward from Ottawa, the big plane will return across the Pacific to complete the first round-the-world flight of an R.C.A.F. aircraft.

### Mild Winter

PORT COLBORNE, Ont. (CP)—Even the worms don't know it's winter yet—it's been so mild in the Port Colborne area. Mrs. Albert L. Gram says she found 20 worms while sweeping her driveway last week.

### Man Overcome By Gas Fumes After Furnace Explosion

Walter Woods, 541 North Park Street, had a narrow escape from death by gas poisoning following an explosion in the gas furnace in the Sports Club, Yates and Douglas Street, Monday morning, city police report.

Sid Randall, 210 Stormont Street, employee of the B.C. Electric Gas Co., answering a telephone summons by Woods after the explosion, had to smash the hinges off the main door at the top of the stairs to gain entry.

He found Woods collapsed on the floor. Randall immediately turned off the gas, turned on the fans and opened the windows to clear the room of the poisonous fumes.

Firemen D. Thompson and E. Roberts attended with the inhalator and revived Woods, who was then taken to Royal Jubilee Hospital.

The furnace explosion blew out two windows on the east side and one on the west side. All the gas pipes were blown out by the blast.

## Pearson, Many Advisers, Flying To Colombo Meeting

OTTAWA (CP)—Hon. L. B. Pearson, minister of external affairs, set off early Monday night for the Commonwealth conference at Colombo, Ceylon, to act as Canada's voice in discussions of democracy's answer to the spread of Communism in Asia.

Accompanied by his wife and flanked by diplomatic, economic and trade advisers, Mr. Pearson took off in a North Star aircraft that will make the first round-the-world flight ever undertaken by the R.C.A.F.

The 16-man crew headed the plane for the Gander airport, Newfoundland, on the first leg of a journey that will take it to the Azores, Gibraltar, Malta, Baghdad and Karachi, the capital of Pakistan before arriving at Colombo in time for the opening of the conference a week from today.

On its return it will land at Karachi again, New Delhi—India's capital, Rangoon, Singapore, Hongkong, Tokyo, Wake Island, Honolulu and San Francisco.

With Mr. Pearson are advisers from the external affairs department and the trade department to help him at a conference that will discuss not only recognition of Red China but economic and other questions of importance to all Commonwealth nations.

The trip has been linked with these purposes:

Trade—Mr. Pearson had said a broadening of trade between Canada and the Far East, particularly the three new dominions of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, is one of the objectives.

China—Although India has already recognized Red China and the United Kingdom may do so shortly, Canada and other Commonwealth countries want a chance to talk that situation over.

Economics—Foreign Secretary Bevin is taking a strong economic contingent with him for talks about conservation of dollars by the sterling bloc. Canada, the only dollar country represented, will seek to have as few dollars as possible saved at her expense. It was learned that at least the broad question of an answer to Communism will be discussed at the conference in view of the spread of Communism in the Far East.

**CONVERTIBILITY QUESTION**  
Another question due for discussion is convertibility of sterling and dollars.

Envoys—India is reported wanting to change the title of her envoy to London from high commissioner to ambassador, a development which might bring other changes in its train.

With him Mr. Pearson has the No. 3 man of the external affairs department, deputy under-secretary Escott Reid; David Johnson, newly-appointed high commissioner to Karachi; Douglas Lapan of the economics division; Hume Wright, his secretary; Arthur Menzies, chief of external affairs for eastern division; T. N. Beaupre, executive assistant to the deputy minister of trade, and George Heasman, head of the trade commissioner's service of the trade department.

### All Must Register

PRAGUE (Reuter)—The Czechoslovak government has ordered all people who own their own houses to register with the police. No reason was given.

## Bidault To Risk New Confidence Vote In Assembly

PARIS (UP)—The French cabinet today authorized Premier Georges Bidault to risk another confidence vote in the National Assembly—this time on restoration of free wage bargaining between labor unions and employers.

During the past 10 days, Bidault has used the confidence vote weapon six times to ram his record \$6,329,000,000 budget through the hostile Assembly.

Monday night the Premier survived three final showdown confidence votes in the Assembly, with the fate of his government riding on each vote.

But opposition to the free wage bargaining bill is growing fast, particularly among Socialists, and Bidault took the advance precaution of getting cabinet authorization to call for further confidence votes.

Bidault, who obtained the cabinet's permission at a two-hour meeting this morning, promised not to use the confidence weapon any more than is absolutely necessary.

His budget now has gone to the French Upper House, the Council of the Republic, which probably will begin debate on it in about two weeks.

## Toronto Votes In Favor Of Sunday Sports

TORONTO (CP)—A victory for Sunday sports was the big surprise of a record municipal election in Toronto Monday.

Turning out in numbers well beyond any previous election, Toronto voters also re-elected Mayor Hiram (Buck) McCallum by an overwhelming majority, and decided to change the date of the annual elections from the traditional New Year's vote.

In the plebiscite on whether permission should be sought from the provincial government to hold "amateur, professional and other forms of commercial sport" on Sundays, those in favor led by a large margin in early returns, only to see the opponents steadily cutting down the lead.

With the total 1,036 polls in, the total in favor of Sunday sport was 88,108; those opposed 81,793.

The victory for Sunday sport was a surprise in view of Toronto's "staid traditions" and because most young persons expected to favor it did not have a say in the matter. On such by-laws those eligible to vote are tenants or owners of property assessed at \$400 or more. They must be 21 years of age. Most persons living in rooms are ineligible since the municipal assessment on single rooms is as much as \$400. Persons living with their parents, while voting for various candidates, are not eligible to vote on by-laws unless they qualify as tenants or owners.

**'Aunt Jemima' Dies**  
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**Weather Forecast**  
Intermittent snow today. Cloudy with a few snow flurries tonight and Wednesday; milder with light winds. Low tonight, 20; high Wednesday, 30.

## Gardiner Reports Price In New Pact Fixed At 29 Cents

OTTAWA (CP)—Agriculture Minister Gardiner today announced completion of a new agreement to sell 60,000,000 pounds of bacon to the United Kingdom this year at 29 cents a pound.

Details of the contract were made in a statement issued simultaneously in Ottawa and London. British officials here said they were enthused over the final arrangements. The 1950 price is seven cents a pound lower than the 1949 contract.

The new contract price is 3.5 cents a pound below the floor price announced by Mr. Gardiner a fortnight ago and will mean that the federal government will have to absorb a loss of \$2,100,000 on the deal.

Mr. Gardiner said the bacon subsidy will be discontinued "on and after July 1, 1950."

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"Meantime," said Mr. Gardiner, "consideration will be given to applications for export permits for bacon to be shipped to markets other than Great Britain."

The new bacon contract compares with the 160,000,000-pound contract negotiated with the U.K. in 1949. The price obtained then was 36 cents a pound. However, because of high domestic demand and low production, Canada was unable to ship more than 100,000,000 pounds.

A United Kingdom source said the new contract price of 29 cents a pound for grade A Wiltshire was a "better price than we had hoped for."

**Wheat Delivery Deferred**  
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The spruce deal, amounting to about \$2,500,000, already has been completed and awaits approval by the British treasury and the Economic Co-operation Administration offices in Washington.

Arrangements to complete a new salmon deal are expected to start in another week.

Diversion of U.K. funds from Canadian wheat will mean that Canada may not ship more than 125,000,000 out of a 140,000,000-bushel contract. However, the U.K. has agreed to take delivery of the deferred wheat early in the 1950-51 crop year and pay 1949 prices—\$2 a bushel for No. 1 northern.

**Coal Sought To Maintain C.N.R. Service, Says Gordon**  
MONTREAL (BUP)—Canadian National Railways might call off their plans to cut service by 25 per cent because of a coal shortage, newly-appointed president Donald Gordon said today.

"We hope and expect that we may be able to get further coal from certain areas, but we don't know definitely yet," Gordon told his first news conference since he started running the railroad today.

"A great deal will depend upon developments in the United States," he said.

Gordon, former chairman of the Wartime Prices Board, and former deputy governor of the Bank of Canada, declined to elaborate on the "certain areas" he mentioned.

He said no service cuts had yet gone into effect. "We feel it a

duty to serve warning in advance, and if conditions improve we will withdraw the curtailment," he added.

## Strike Threatens London Meat Supply

LONDON (BUP)—Two strikes today threatened London's meat supplies and interrupted construction at the site of the 1951 Festival of Britain.

At the Smithfield Market, 300 meat porters walked out Sunday in a dispute involving a porter who was refused a job. The market, which supplies most of London's meat, was virtually idle.

At the festival site 300 building workers erecting restaurant buildings went on strike over the dismissal of seven men.

## Home Destroyed By Fire At Ladysmith During Night

LADYSMITH—Fire totally destroyed the six-room home of the George Findo family on Bayview Road in this community Monday night. No one was in the house at the time.

The fire broke out shortly after 6 in the evening and spread through the interior of the one-and-a-half-story dwelling before it was discovered.

First alarm was turned in to the Ladysmith fire department at 6:45 from a neighbor who saw flames shoot out a window a distance of 12 feet.

By the time firemen had made the quarter-mile run to the scene, there was no hope of saving the building and the structure was totally destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Findo had left earlier in the day to visit some friends in Vancouver. Their son, Edward, about 15, had been left

home but was at a neighborhood store at the time of the fire. Firemen who attended the blaze were headed by Fire Chief Frank Jameson. Neighbors found accommodation for Edward overnight. His parents, having been notified of the loss of their home, are expected back sometime today.

Mr. Findo is employed in the woods as a faller for the Cornox Logging Co.

## City's First New Year's Babies

It was a light New Year's Day on maternity floors of city hospitals as only three babies were born on the first day of the New Year.

For the first time in a number of years Royal Jubilee Hospital had the honor of the first baby, when a boy, 8 pounds 3 ounces.

The first New Year's baby at St. Joseph's Hospital was a girl,

born to Mrs. C. Lyseng, 1403 Stanley Avenue.

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### Toronto Citizens Vote In Favor Of Sunday Sports

TORONTO (CP)—Straight-laced Toronto's voters have snapped a tradition and voted to permit Sunday sports. In a record civic election turnout Monday voters of this 'city of churches' surprisingly decided by 88,108 to 81,793 to allow commercialized sports on the Sabbath.

### Prediction Made Sports Vote Will Have Wide Effect

MONTREAL (CP)—Frank Shaughnessy, president of the International Baseball League, said today few people realize "the full impact the decision of the Toronto electorate to allow Sunday spectator sports will have on the life of Canada."

"I believe the decision will have far-reaching effects in other civic centres as well as in rural districts throughout the Dominion," said Shaughnessy at his Montreal home.

### All Must Register

PRAGUE (Reuter)—The Czechoslovak government has ordered all people who own their own houses to register with the police. No reason was given.

### Late February, Early March Election Forecast For U.K.

LONDON (Reuter)—Britain's political prophets today came out in strength with predictions for a late February or early March general election, forecasting Feb. 23 or March 2 as alternative dates.

In doing so they overrode the almost unanimous opposition of the churches, went against the editorial advice of the city's three daily newspapers, and tossed the controversial question back to the City Council.

But as far as the council is concerned the Sunday sport question now is largely technical. Mayor Hiram McCallum, re-elected with a record majority, said the question will be taken up with the provincial government early this month. The city's four board of control members—all re-elected—said they will support him.

Overshadowed by the Sunday sports question was the record vote total, the record majority vote, the decision to change the regular election date from New Year's Day, probably to the first Monday in December, and the defeat of all but one of the Communist candidates.

### Son Of Victorian Killed In Crash

MOUNT POCONO, Pa. (CP)—State troopers beat their way through heavy woods today to find the wreckage of a light plane missing for 11 days.

The bodies of two men were found at the scene of the crash, slightly by a civil air patrol flying over the Pocono Mountains. The men were identified as James J. Rogers Jr. of Schenectady, N.Y., and Colin Couzens of Smiths Basin, N.Y.

Among relatives surviving Couzens is his mother, Mrs. William Lloyd of Victoria.

### Manslaughter Charge Against Victoria Lawyer

City police reported today that a charge of manslaughter has been laid against Donald E. C. Anderson, lawyer, 904 Island Road, as a result of the traffic accident death of Mrs. Winifred Irvine, 1616 Belmont Avenue, New Year's Eve.

Mrs. Irvine died several hours after being in collision with a car driven by the young Victoria lawyer, at the intersection of Elford Street and Pandora Avenue.

### Cost-Of-Living Report To Be Issued Tomorrow

OTTAWA (CP)—Lower food prices, may be the answer to the housewife's prayer as she faces the rentals wolf at her door. She'll know tomorrow whether the food-price decline which snipped the cost-of-living index from its all-time high in three successive clips will continue to do a job of lowering living costs.

The index, calculated on the basis that 1935-39 prices equal 100, now touches 161.7—down from last July's peak of 162.8. Tomorrow's standing to be published by the Bureau of Statistics will show the price trend in November—including a new quarterly survey of rents.

### Quake In Philippines

MANILA (UP)—A light earthquake shook Manila for about two minutes at 10:45 a.m. local time today, causing many persons to flee downtown buildings. No casualties or damage were reported.

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### Investigation After 2 Die In Vancouver Jail

VANCOUVER (BUP)—The science bureau of the city police today is investigating the Monday night deaths of two men in the Vancouver jail.

Both men died after jail authorities had given them doses of bromides.

The dead: Will Carey, 53, and James Anderson, 50, both of no fixed address. Police said they were arrested Saturday on charges of begging.

### 'Aunt Jemima' Dies

NEW YORK (AP)—Tess Gardella, 32, "Aunt Jemima" of the stage and radio, died early today in an ambulance en route to a hospital. Miss Gardella, a huge woman who weighed more than 400 pounds, lapsed into a diabetic coma at her home Monday night.

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### No Outdoor Skating

Likelihood of outdoor skating diminished today with a prediction by the weatherman that Victoria and vicinity will have milder temperatures.

Herb Warren, superintendent of city parks, said ice on Beacon Hill's Goodacre Lake today was "on the border line" of being thick enough for skaters, but added his department would not sanction skating unless there was no doubt the ice would be safe.

Some skating was done Monday on ponds in Saanich but ice gave way in many instances. This morning's snowfall in the downtown area was 1.8 inch. The weather forecast is for intermittent snow tonight and Wednesday. Temperature at noon today was 25 degrees.

### Bomb In Store

EDMONTON (CP)—A 10-pound R.C.A.F. practice bomb, found in a downtown store has been safely detonated by army experts. It was reported today. It was the third live bomb found in Edmonton in the last three weeks.

### Northern Section Of Island Highway Closed By Snowfall

The Island Highway between Menzies Bay and Sayward was closed to traffic today by heavy snow but travel on other portions of the Victoria-to-Kelsey Bay Road was open despite snow in all sections.

Report of the highway closure was made by officials of the Provincial Public Works Department who said the Hope-Princeton Highway on the mainland was in good condition.

The new government highway had been plowed to the full width. Temperatures in the area were from 20 to 30 degrees below zero.

All main roads in the Kamloops-Salmon Arm-Revelstoke districts were open. A one-way lane was cut through the snow on the Fraser Valley Highway between Spences Bridge and Boston Bar.

Also open to traffic was the Cariboo Highway between Cache Creek and Prince George.

### Two Break Jail

WINNIPEG (BUP)—Police today sought two prisoners who escaped from the Headingly Jail, 12 miles from here, in sub-zero weather.

Police said Paul Fjortka, 22, Piney, Mann, and Walter Payant, 31, of no fixed abode, escaped Monday during a blizzard. They were believed to have headed toward Winnipeg, but no trace of them was reported. Both were said to be dressed for the sub-zero weather.

### Blow Up Mine

MOCLIPS, Wash. (AP)—A Fort Lewis demolition squad detonated a horn-type Japanese mine on the beach a mile north of here Monday. Coast Guardsmen from the Grays Harbor lifeboat station stood guard over the explosive for 2 1/2 hours before it was destroyed.

## Canada Takes 7-Cent Drop In 1950 Deal

From Canadian Press Dispatches

A 2 1/2-cent a pound decline recorded today on the Winnipeg live hog market was attributed to the 1950 United Kingdom bacon contract and in Montreal merchants predicted retail pork prices would drop by five cents a pound by the end of the week.

The 1950 United Kingdom bacon contract, under which Canada will supply Britain with 60,000,000 pounds at a price of 29 cents a pound, was announced in London and in Ottawa by Canada's Agriculture Minister Gardiner. The price represented a cut of 7 cents a pound from the 1949 contract. Mr. Gardiner also announced the bacon subsidy will be discontinued "on and after July 1, 1950."

In Winnipeg J. R. Bell, Manitoba's deputy agriculture minister, advocated an immediate lifting of the embargo on the export of hogs to the United States. He noted that the 1950 bacon contract would take approximately 50 per cent of the estimated Canadian back surplus over and above domestic requirements at a price "lower than had been expected."

Mr. Bell said "the loss of the floor price would seriously affect the price received by producers and point out the necessity of removing market restrictions to the United States."

"That market should be explored immediately," Gerald Habing, president of the Manitoba Federation of Agriculture, welcomed the news of the new bacon contract, but said "a price of 29 cents a pound is

not sufficient, taking into consideration the price of barley and cost of labor."

Fred Downing, manager of the Canadian Livestock Co-operative (Western), said the 2 1/2 cents a pound decline of prices today on the Winnipeg live hog market was a "direct result of the 7-cent cut" in the contract price to Great Britain.

Turning the new contract a "small dab" of the total Canadian bacon output, Mr. Downing said the new price would "set the price for the entire Canadian market."

He said only one in every 15 hogs marketed in Canada is sold to Britain. He estimated Canada's total annual bacon output at 750,000,000 pounds.

The price cut would mean a loss to the Dominion of \$3,500,000, he said.

### U.K. Officials Enthused

British officials in Ottawa said they were enthused over the final arrangements.

H. H. Hannam, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, said today in Ottawa:

"The new bacon contract, both from the standpoint of quantity and price, is extremely disappointing and is bound to have a distressing effect on the entire hog industry of Canada."

"For the past eight years the bacon contract with the U.K. has taken all of Canada's export surpluses—and has been the best means of providing a stable floor price for hog producers, a matter of vital importance to the industry."

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### Russians Invited To Unite Germany

BERLIN (AP)—John J. McCloy, United States high commissioner, today indirectly invited the Russians to make "a bona fide offer, toward uniting Germany."

"We are prepared at any time to hold free elections for all Germany, if a bona fide offer is made by the Russians," McCloy told his first press conference of the New Year.

The commission indicated, however, that he is not hopeful of east-west agreement on such a large scale for 1950.

### War On Coyotes

EDMONTON (CP)—The Alberta government's air-plane war against coyotes will open in a week, provincial officials said today. Two airplanes have been hired for the work. One aircraft will operate from Edmonton to the Saskatchewan boundary. The other plane will hunt in the Brooks area.

### Pyjamas Only Clothing As Couple Flees Burning Home

It was a sad New Year's week-end for Lucien Hocking and his wife, Amy, when a fire almost totally destroyed their two-room cabin home at 847 Viewfield Road early Monday morning.

Awakened by the crackling of flames at 1, the couple were forced to run from the cabin into the bitter cold outdoors attired only in their pyjamas.

Esquimalt firemen, who attended the scene and finally got the fire out, said that all the Hockings' personal belongings

and furniture were demolished by the flames. The interior of the house was badly burned.

Fire Chief Gilbert Stancombe said the fire apparently had started between the walls. Cause of the blaze is being investigated.



# One Woman's Day

By NANCY HODGES

THOSE THREE R'S THAT CAPTION IS probably misleading, for this column is devoted itself to a dissertation on how far education has traveled from the little old red schoolhouse and its fundamental concept of the three 'r's.

What led me to do it was a reference I saw in a U.S. paper to British Columbia's "Education for Temperance" program which, as my readers probably know, is aimed at teaching 'teen-agers in our schools what effect the consumption of alcohol has upon the system.

The course is based upon the premise that, by learning the scientific side of the subject, the youngsters will be fortified by facts which should enable them to face the liquor problem with sound judgment and commonsense, thus bolstering their moral approach at the same time.

## MISLEADING?

BUT PAUL STEINER, writing in The Washington (D.C.) Post, alludes to that course in these terms: "In British Columbia, the public-school curriculum boasts a course in 'How to Hold Your Liquor.'"

Needless to say, his interpretation of the title of our B.C. program gives an entirely erroneous impression of our educational efforts in this direction. And it also makes me wonder if the writer has taken the same literary license with the titles of the other novel courses to which he alludes.

## TO COMBAT CANNIBALISM

FOR INSTANCE, he tells of a series of lectures at Fordham University, entitled "How to Win Friends and Influence Cannibals." These lectures are for the instruction of missionaries in foreign fields, and initiates them into the technique of teaching cannibals to substitute soccer for such sports as head-hunting.

Speaking of sports, the adult education program of the White Plains, N.Y., public schools has started a course exclusively for women. It will initiate the daffy side into the mysteries of football, boxing, tennis and other games often understood only by men of the family—and, according to Mr. Steiner, will put an end to the silly questions with which wives often pester their husbands during a thrilling moment of the game.

## FISHING FOR CREDITS

I HAVE LONG GROWN accustomed to some of the novel devices introduced into educational systems to assist in the acquisition of "credits"—those steps by which would-be B.A.'s and M.A.'s climb to attain their degrees and doctorates.

But surely no sophomore ever found the rungs easier to mount than on the fish-ladder by which those at the University of Illinois attain their academic spawning-ground, so to speak.

For, according to Mr. Steiner, its students are "rowing and paddling about Lake Michigan, reeling their lines in and out, piling up points toward sheepskins by virtue of a class on 'Fishing and Boating.'"

## BABY-SITTING

FINALLY, THERE ARE the three high schools in Rochester, N.Y., which have instituted courses in baby sitting, "to combat the real problem caused by the scarcity of baby sitters." As I said in the beginning, the strange and infinite variety of subjects which are fastening themselves, like barnacles, on what passes for school and college curricula—these days are bewildering to those of us whose schooldays are long past.

## I PITY THEM!

IT FILLS ME WITH PITY not only for the teachers who have to teach all these newfangled notions on top of a curriculum bursting with all the ordinary subjects, but for the students who have to try to assimilate them all.

And it makes me understand more and more, why in this piling-up process, the three 'r's, on which the whole structure of education rests, are showing such signs of strain and stress as to threaten to disappear altogether.



Bedroom Gutted By Flames

A bedroom, on the left, was gutted and the remainder of the house singed and smoke-damaged through a fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Thorburn, 1720 Kings Road, at 8:45 Monday morning. No one was hurt. Estimate is \$1,500 damage. Contents of the room were destroyed by the flames. Firemen put in two booster lines from the truck tanks to combat the flames while the nearby fire hydrant was being thawed out to supply the water. Fire officials said this was the first time in several years that a fire hydrant has been found frozen. Fire started in the bedroom clothes closet. Cause is being investigated.

## King's New Year's List Headed By Viscountcy For Alexander

LONDON (CP)—A viscountcy for Defence Minister A. V. Alexander topped the King's 1950 New Year honors list.

Five new barons were created—four of them Labor Members of Parliament.

Alexander's acceptance of the peerage, may foreshadow his retirement from the cabinet office which he has held continuously for nearly 10 years. However, it is understood he will continue in office at least until the general election.

The 64-year-old Labor Party veteran was Winston Churchill's wartime First Lord of the Admiralty and became defence minister with jurisdiction over all fighting services—in the postwar set-up. With one break, he has been a member of the House of Commons for Sheffield-Hillsborough since 1922.

## 27TH LIST

This honors list is expected to be the last of this Parliament, apart from the customary dissolution honors. It is the 27th honors list of the King's reign.

For the first time, Newfoundlanders are not included in an honors list. Since becoming Canada's 10th province, the island falls within the scope of Ottawa's no-titles policy.

South Africa also made no recommendations. Nor did the Australian federal government, although several of the Australian state governments sponsored citizens for knighthoods and lesser honors. New Zealand had a long list, including five knighthoods.

Membership in the Privy Council, which entitles the holders to the prefix "Right Honorable," is awarded to Prime Minister Don Stephen Senanayake of Ceylon, Sir Ronald Ian Campbell, British Ambassador to Egypt, and Edward James Holway, former Australian Labor Minister.

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The new year's only non-political peerage goes to Sir Steven Bissland, 57, Scottish industrialist who just completed a dollar exports mission to Canada and the United States.

Promotion to the House of Lords of five Labor members of the Commons will boost Labor strength in the upper chamber where during recent months the government has been roughly handled by the predominant Conservatives.

Besides Alexander, the new Labor peers are:

Leslie Haden Guest, 72, member for Islington North. He visited Canada in 1925 as a member of the Empire parliamentary delegation.

John Willmot, 54, member for Deptford and a former supply minister.

Thomas Burden, 64, member for Sheffield-Park.

Joseph Henderson, member for Manchester-Adwick.

## NEW KNIGHTS

Among the 50 or so new knights are Vincent Tewson, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress; Philip Hendy, director of the National Gallery; John Coldbrook Handbury-Williams, head of Courtlaids textile firm and Andrew Meikle Bryan, chief inspector of mines and an author of a study of St. George's coat of arms in Newfoundland.

Women honored include Mlle. Adeline Genes who is made a dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire for her services to ballet. Now 71, she has been well known as a dancer since the turn of the century. Also made a dame commander of the order—the feminine equivalent of a knighthood—is professor Olive Wheeler, Welsh educationist.

Made an officer of the Order of the British Empire is Owen John Owen, 80-year-old Welsh printer noted as a lay preacher and conductor of the Welsh Nationalist Eliseddod. He still preaches twice every Sunday.

## Soviet A-Bomb Voted Biggest Story Of 1949

CINCINNATI (CP)—The No. 1 disaster at Toronto, in which 119 persons died amid roaring flames, rated as the third-best story of 1949 in the Cincinnati Enquirer's annual poll of newspapers, radios and readers.

President Truman's announcement of the Russian atomic explosion was voted the top story of the year. Second was the death of Kathy Fiscus, the little girl who fell down an open well and kept a sympathetic world on edge until her fate was learned the next day.

Participating in this year's contest were the Associated Press, United Press and International News Service Newspapers in 10 major U.S. cities and Cincinnati readers and radio listeners.

## A NEW APPROACH

LONDON—In Britain, aerial photography is being used in the study of archaeology. An extensive aerial survey of ancient castles has revealed many relics of a past age in an entirely new light.

## Cancer Claims Life Of Emil Jannings, 62, Once Screen Star

VIENNA (AP)—Emil Jannings, 62, one of Hollywood's brightest stars two decades ago, died of cancer at his home in Zinkenbach Monday night. He had been ill for several weeks.

Jannings, who was the first actor to win Hollywood's Academy Award, died peacefully in his sleep, his wife said. He had been given sedatives to ease his pain.

Shortly after his death, his doctor announced for the first time that Jannings had suffered cancer of the liver.

The family said funeral services will be held Friday at St. Wolfgang on Lake Wolfgang, in the American zone, near Jannings' home.

His wife and daughter, who kept vigil by the bedside, said that during the last week letters and telegrams had poured in from all over the world for Jannings, who won the "Oscar" in 1928 for his performance in the "Way of All Flesh."

Jannings came to Hollywood in 1928.

During the next three years, he won wide acclaim for his acting in such silent pictures as "The Street of Sin," "Last Command" and "Sins of the Fathers." In 1929, he left the United States, because he feared his imperfect English would ruin his art with the advent of talkies.

Although he maintained he hated Hitler, Jannings prospered under the Nazis.

Coming out of retirement in 1934, he made a number of German films, including the anti-British propaganda production "Ohm Krueger." Jannings claimed he did not want to make this picture but was ordered by propaganda chief Josef Goebbels.

## 1,500,000 People See Pasadena's Big Tournament Of Roses

PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—A \$350,000 floral tribute to the theme, "The American Heritage," rolled along Colorado Street Monday in the greatest Tournament of Roses in history.

Seventy-two floats bearing more than 8,000,000 blossoms stretched out for six miles among the 1,500,000 persons packing the parade route.

Most beautiful of the giant mobile bouquets was the "Freedom" entry of Long Beach, Calif. This sweepstakes winner molded in white chrysanthemums the forms of three huge doves. The float gained color from the lavish use of yellow 'mums, pink roses, lilies and orchids.

It was the "largest traffic event in the United States," said Police Chief Clarence H. Morris, who directed traffic via radio from millionaire Howard Hughes' blimp. More than 1,200 officers regulated the flow of automobiles.

The crowd witnessing the 61st Tournament of Roses was slightly smaller than last year's record 1,750,000. Many of them arrived late, waiting until the last minute because of threatened showers.

## Traffic Deaths In Manitoba At New High

WINNIPEG (CP)—The year 1949 was the blackest in Manitoba's history for traffic accidents, a police commission report revealed Monday.

Traffic deaths hit the 100 mark, 2,162 were injured, and 6,341 automobiles needed repairs totalling almost \$1,000,000 through accidents.

In 1948, 87 persons were killed and 2,012 injured. Property damage was \$122,000 less. The damage figures cover the period up to Dec. 15.

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## Boy Killed When Hand Grenade Explodes In Home

LORETO, Ont. (CP)—A 12-year-old boy was killed and his younger brother and sister injured Monday when a hand grenade they had found exploded at their home in this village about 35 miles northwest of Toronto.

Norman Borzman died shortly after he had been admitted to the nearby Alliston Hospital. His 10-year-old sister, Joan, suffered face and eye injuries and was taken to the hospital for sick children in Toronto. The brother, Philip, 6, is in the Alliston Hospital with minor abrasions.

It is believed the children found the grenade and were bringing it home to show their parents. The explosion occurred as they reached the veranda.

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## Traffic Struggles Through Foot Of Snow Up-Island

Residents of Victoria and other Vancouver Island centres are shoveling out from under another winter snowstorm today.

In Victoria the snow started New Year's Eve, let up during New Year's Day and Monday, and continued again last night, during the entire period, freezing temperatures prevailed.

Last night, an official low of 1 degrees was recorded at the Dominion Meteorological Observatory on Gonzales. The official high for Monday was 20 degrees.

There was skating on many ponds and lakes in the Greater Victoria area Monday. Some of the heavier skaters, however, found the ice too thin to hold them and returned home with chilled bodies and wet clothing.

The weatherman here predicts continued snow but milder temperatures.

The Island Highway to north-erly points remains open and Vancouver Island Coach Lines buses are still getting through. Snow and ice make driving extremely difficult, however, and police advise private motorists not to travel unless necessary.

On the Malahat, snow on the ground measures more than a foot in depth. About two inches fell overnight. The temperature dropped to around 10 degrees. Snow was still falling this morning.

### SKATING ON LAKE

At Cobble Hill, thermometers also dropped to 10 degrees. There was skating on Spectacle Lake Monday although snow hampered the sport somewhat. Small ponds and swamps in the area were also used by skaters. Shawigan Lake showed fringes of ice around the edges today but there is still no real sign of skating there.

Roads throughout the Cobble Hill area are icy and drivers are finding chains essential. Six inches of snow covers the area. The road to Port Renfrew is covered with about 15 inches of snow. No one has attempted to use it since last week when a grocer was successful in getting through in a jeep.

At Duncan, light snow fell during the night after a bright, clear day. Thermometers dropped

to about 15 degrees during the night but rose considerably this morning. Four inches of snow is reported here. Driving conditions are bad but there have been no serious accidents.

Chemainus reported cloudy and cold weather today. Overnight snow there totaled about one inch.

Ladysmith reported only a slight fall during the night. At Parksville, snow on the ground measures about three inches. Very little snow fell in this vicinity during the night.

Nanaimo had a light snowfall and there is a covering of about two inches on the ground today.

Alberni and Port Alberni have about two feet of snow. About two inches fell last night. The temperature during the night dropped to 14, one unofficial report said it had dropped to zero during the early morning hours of Monday.

Campbell River is still snow-bound with between three and four feet covering the area. The temperature here dropped to the lowest point Monday night.

## Man Overcome By Gas Fumes After Furnace Explosion

Walter Woods, 841 North Park Street, had a narrow escape from death by gas-poisoning following an explosion in the gas furnace in the Sports Club, Yates and Douglas Street, Monday morning, city police report.

Sid Randall, 210 Stormont Street, employee of the B.C. Electric Gas Co., answering a telephone summons by Woods after the explosion, had to smash the hinges off the main door at the top of the stairs to gain entry.

He found Woods collapsed on the floor. Randall immediately turned off the gas, turned on the fans and opened the windows to clear the room of the poisonous fumes.

Firemen D. Thompson and E. Roberts attended with the inhalator and revived Woods, who was then taken to Royal Jubilee Hospital.

The furnace explosion blew out two windows on the east side and one on the west side. All the gas pipes were blown out by the blast.



## Victorians Taking First R.C.A.F. Plane Around World

Group Capt. R. J. Lane, D.S.O., D.F.C. and Bar, conducting officer, and FO. A. E. Tomkinson, navigator, both of Victoria, today are aboard an R.C.A.F. North Star carrying External Affairs Minister L. B. Pearson and advisers to the Commonwealth ministers' conference to open Jan. 9 in Colombo, Ceylon. Flying eastward from Ottawa, the big plane will return across the Pacific to complete the first round-the-world flight of an R.C.A.F. aircraft.

## Pearson, Many Advisers, Flying To Colombo Meeting

OTTAWA (CP)—Hon. L. B. Pearson, minister of external affairs, set off early Monday night for the Commonwealth conference at Colombo, Ceylon, to act as Canada's voice in discussions of democracy's answer to the spread of Communism in Asia.

Accompanied by his wife and flanked by diplomatic, economic and trade advisers, Mr. Pearson took off in a North Star aircraft that will make the first round-the-world flight ever undertaken by the R.C.A.F.

The 16-man crew headed the plane for the Gander airport, Newfoundland, on the first leg of a journey that will take it to the Azores, Gibraltar, Malta, Baghdad and Karachi, the capital of Pakistan before arriving at Colombo in time for the opening of the conference a week from today.

On its return it will land at Karachi again, New Delhi—India's capital, Rangoon, Singapore, Hongkong, Tokyo, Wake Island, Honolulu and San Francisco.

With Mr. Pearson are advisers from the external affairs department and the trade department to help him at a conference that will discuss not only recognition of Red China but economic and other questions of importance to all Commonwealth nations.

The trip has been linked with these purposes:

Trade—Mr. Pearson had said a broadening of trade between Canada and the Far East, particularly the three new dominions of India, Pakistan and Ceylon, is one of the objectives.

China—Although India has already recognized Red China and the United Kingdom may do so shortly, Canada and other Commonwealth countries want a chance to talk that situation over.

Economics—Foreign Secretary Bevin is taking a strong economic contingent with him for talks about conservation of dollars by the sterling bloc. Canada, the only dollar country

represented, will seek to have as few dollars as possible saved at her expense. It was learned that at least the broad question of an answer to Communism will be discussed at the conference in view of the spread of Communism and the rise of new nations in the Far East.

### CONVERTIBILITY QUESTION

Another question due for discussion is convertibility of sterling and dollars.

Envoys—India is reported wanting to change the title of her envoy to London from high commissioner to ambassador, a development which might bring other changes in its train.

With him Mr. Pearson has the No. 3 man of the external affairs department, deputy undersecretary Scott Reid; David Johnson, newly-appointed high commissioner to Karachi; Douglas Lapan of the economics division; Hume Wright, his secretary; Arthur Menzies, chief of external affairs far eastern division; T. N. Beaupre, executive assistant to the deputy minister of trade, and George Heasman, head of the trade commissioner service of the trade department.

## Churchill Reiterates Stand On Surrender Of Belgian Army

BRUSSELS (Reuter)—Winston Churchill declared in a letter published here Sunday that he saw no reason to change his wartime pronouncement that King Leopold surrendered the Belgian army with the least possible notice and without the advice of his ministers.

But he added that nothing he said at the time of the Belgian capitulation in 1940 would be interpreted as criticizing the personal courage and honor of King Leopold, now provisionally exiled, nor the value and honor of the army and its commanders.

The letter was written May 12, 1949, to Baron Edmund Carton de Wiart, honorary secretary to King Leopold, who had complained in a letter Feb. 16 of the "deep and painful emotion provoked by the publication" here of certain passages from the British wartime leader's memoirs.

A French translation appeared Sunday in the leading Roman Catholic newspaper, La Libre Belgique. A national referendum is expected to be held shortly on whether King Leopold should return to the throne, which the Roman Catholics desire.

Mr. Winch fractured several ribs Dec. 26 when he fell in the kitchen of his home.

His son Donald said the legislative member for Vancouver East had awakened New Year's Day "in terrific pain."

"We called the doctor, who said my father had refractured some ribs. He had a cold and coughing had apparently caused the refracture."

Mr. Winch's illness caused him to cancel plans to attend a C.C.F. convention in Winnipeg starting Tuesday.

Firemen from four stations battled the blaze for three hours. Water played on the flames soon froze in the 20-below zero weather.

WINNIPEG (CP)—Damage estimated at approximately \$100,000 was caused early today when fire of unknown origin destroyed the Don Carlos Casino, a dine and dance night club in south Winnipeg.

Firemen from four stations battled the blaze for three hours. Water played on the flames soon froze in the 20-below zero weather.

## Striking Illinois Coal Miners Told To Return To Pits

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UP)—Hugh White, president of District 12 of the United Mine Workers, today ordered striking Illinois miners back to work on Jan. 9.

Some 15,000 of the miners went on strike in Illinois and Indiana soft coal mines today, but elsewhere in the U.S. the miners remained on their short work week.

All but 2,500 of the 18,000 United Mine Workers in Illinois went on strike. About 300 Indiana U.M.W. members walked out at the Viking mine near Terre Haute, Ind.

John L. Lewis was here, but had no comment about the walk-out.

### SINCE JUNE

The U.M.W. has been without a nation-wide soft coal contract since last June when the operators first turned down Lewis' demands for a 35-cent daily wage boost, and a 15-cent-a-ton increase in welfare fund royalties. The miners have been working a three-day week since early in November when they ended a 52-day walkout and returned to the pits.

Some operators had reached agreement with the U.M.W. but their number was small. Their bigger wage scales, which went into effect Sunday, had given rise to the fears that miners still working at the lower rates would refuse to work today.

As it turned out, only miners in Illinois and Indiana refused to enter the pits.

Those mines that have settled with Lewis pay their workers \$15 a day and contribute 35 cents a ton to the union welfare fund. The holdout companies pay only \$14.05 a day and contribute 20 cents to the fund.

The Illinois and Indiana men quit even as the National Labor

## Home Destroyed By Fire At Ladysmith During Night

Special to the Times

LADYSMITH—Fire totally destroyed the six-room home of the George Findo family on Bayview Road in this community Monday night. No one was in the house at the time.

The fire broke out shortly after 6 in the evening and spread through the interior of the one-and-a-half-story dwelling before it was discovered.

First alarm was turned in to the Ladysmith fire department at 6.45 from a neighbor who saw flames shoot out a window a distance of 12 feet.

By the time firemen had made the quarter-mile run to the scene, there was no hope of saving the building and the structure was totally destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Findo had left earlier in the day to visit some friends in Vancouver. Their son, Edward, about 15, had been left home but was at a neighborhood store at the time of the fire.

Firemen who attended the blaze were headed by Fire Chief Frank Jameson. Neighbors found accommodation for Edward overnight. His parents, having been notified of the loss of their home, are expected back sometime today.

Mr. Findo is employed in the woods as a faller for the Comox Logging Co.

Richard Baker, 18, was remanded to tomorrow for sentence by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today. He pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing an overcoat owned by Albert Williams from a cafe yesterday.

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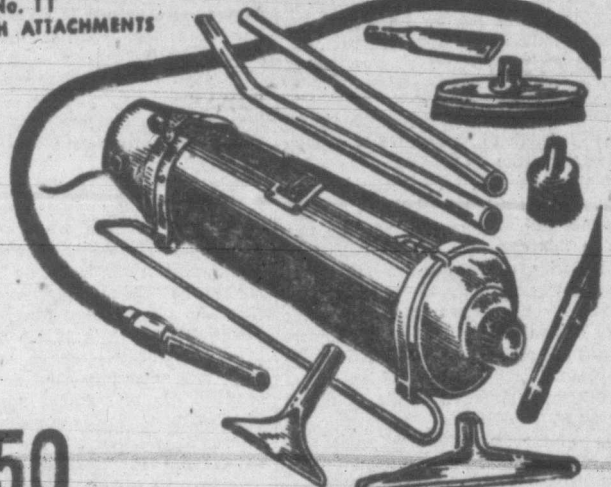
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## LOOKING AHEAD

IN A RECENT CBC BROADCAST, straight-thinking Montreal Star editor George V. Ferguson presented two or three points on which the public might ponder as it considers current prophecies of gloom for Canada's farms. In the first instance, Mr. Ferguson remarks that such forecasts are not new; they have been going on ever since the war ended and before. While they have failed to materialize to date, he suggests that if the prophecies continue, they will eventually be right on the basis of the law of averages—just as a man who always bets heads is bound to win sometimes when coins are flipped.

The difficulties created by dollar shortages and tardiness in European agricultural recovery are clearly recognized, and the various factors involved, as Mr. Ferguson says, "all add up to a pretty gloomy total, certainly from our point of view." But he sees better prospects of finding solutions because the picture is so gloomy. Were it less depressing, energies would not be concentrated on the job of looking for an answer. The Star editor phrases it this way:

"It things seem to be running along, it's in human nature not to do very much about them. But if they stop running along, then smart people everywhere begin to work to find some way out of the deadlock, and it seems to me that the basic food problem of Europe is such that it demands a solution which would, in turn, at least in some degree, help the Canadian farmer."

The logic in that point of view is apparent. Mr. Ferguson does not hazard a guess as to the solution that may be found. He does suggest, however, that if Canada's customers have insufficient money with which to buy our produce, then preservation of farm prices at their highest level is highly improbable. Conversely, he sees no reason to assume that sales will have to be made at distress prices.

What the distinguished Canadian editor advances as a step toward a remedy makes sensible reading. Europe, he notes, will have to sell more goods on this continent to be able to buy the things European countries need from us. "This will involve us in responsibilities, too—to remove whatever obstacles there are in the way of bringing European products in."

The job ahead calls for clear thinking and work. It will not be helped by the ululations of those who cry blue ruin.

## GOOD OUTLOOK

PRELIMINARY FIGURES RECEIVED BY the Dominion Bureau of Statistics indicate that the Christmas shopping spurge this year ran up a record volume of sales. That is a happy—but not entirely unexpected—commentary on economic conditions in this country. It shows that the great majority of people are still in a position to buy not only the necessities of life, but also the extras that make the Yuletide season what it is. The figures would seem to answer, also, the criticism of some pessimistically-inclined citizens that the employment situation of the Dominion is not bright.

Even at the peak of the most prosperous periods in history, employment never reaches 100 per cent. And many who observe the fluctuations arising from seasonal industry are inclined, without further investigation, to ascribe such temporary movements to a weakness of the general economy, when in point of fact they merely show the change of emphasis from one industry to another. Farming and logging are particularly subject to seasonal up and downs and the results are naturally reflected in the unemployment figures.

In regard to this province, Labor Minister Humphrey Mitchell, in a year-end statement, has said that the outlook for most industries in British Columbia does not "indicate any significant decline of employment, while substantial increases might take place in some over the course of the year." Those who know the basic conditions of this fortunate province will not be inclined to accuse the Minister of excess optimism. The New Year shows every sign of being a happy and prosperous one.

## READY FOR THE JOB

AS IN THE CASE OF THE NATIONALLY-OWNED C.N.R., the Canadian Pacific Railway this year reports high gross earnings offset by high operating costs, with the result that, to quote Mr. W. A. Mather, president of the system, "the ratio of net earnings to gross earnings remains at the lowest level in the company's history." Despite that condition, however, the company has steadily extended the provision of new and more efficient equipment throughout its operations. Residents of this island, of course, will be mindful of the replacement of steam engines by diesel locomotives on the Esquimalt and Nanaimo line—a change-over which is also being made in other areas. Recent orders for 58 diesel units bring to 190 the total of such power plants ordered or delivered.

Post-war operations of the North Atlantic service have grown, with nine ships

handling more freight and passengers during 1949 than in any other period since the war. Canadian Pacific Air Lines, too, have expanded the company's activities to include regular routes to the Antipodes and the Orient. Of particular interest to local residents was the addition of two new ships to the coastal run—worthy successors to the traditions built through many years by the Princesses. A new \$1,700,000 shipping terminal at Nanaimo was another major item. Such developments indicate that the faith of the C.P.R. in the future of this Dominion shows no waning. In a period of re-adjustment and settlement the trans-continental organization is preparing itself for participation in the growth and prosperity that Canada is destined to enjoy.

## REPORT ON ROADS

WHENEVER A DRIVER BUMPS INTO a pothole in a city street, or whenever he watches workmen tearing up new paving—for reasons best known to the workmen—his entire human reaction is to tend the air with vituperative criticism of the public works department. The criticism is usually picturesque. It may suggest, in the case of the pothole, that the department has just lost another race to Rip Van Winkle. Or, in the instance of breaking pavement, it may advance the theory that a yen for the use of pneumatic drills occupies the space where brains should be.

Fortunately, however, year-end statements by committees furnish ample argument to refute such attacks. A day or two ago, for instance, Ald. J. D. Hunter was able to report excellent progress on the Victoria road rebuilding program and to venture the forecast that the work would be completed next year—two years early. More than that, the committee chairman told questioners the engineering department was well within its estimates.

It is important to note this report of activities for the year. It dispels illusions of civic inefficiency and draws pointed attention to the fact that the public in general fails to notice the improvements it receives in routine progress, but is quick to take exception to a minor or temporary inconvenience. The attitude is somewhat unreasonable, but it, too, has its good points. Without a critical public there might be some inclination to drift along into a lethargic lotus-land frame of mind that would lead to accelerated civic depreciation.

## CAPITALISTS

THE ESTIMATE OF MR. H. L. GUY, president of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers' Association, that as 1949 ended Canadians held close to \$14,500,000,000 of life insurance, provides a sidelight on economic conditions that is very comforting. Averaging \$1,000 for every man, woman and child in the Dominion, such a backlog of financial assistance, available particularly at a time when it is likely to be most needed—at the death of a family bread winner—is a potent factor in the national stability. It reflects a situation probably unequalled by any other country in the world with the exception of the United States, and to that extent is a measure of the material well-being which we in this country enjoy.

The other side of the picture—the use to which the accumulated savings of the participants in life insurance plans are put—should also be remembered. Needless to say, such funds do not lie in vaults waiting to be claimed by insurance beneficiaries. They are pumped into the financial life stream of the nation, financing government projects, industrial ventures and other important activities of the country. To that extent many thousands of Canadians are contributors to their country's prosperity, although they may not realize it. So-called "big business," they may be surprised to discover, is very often merely the use of their own joint savings. Their stake in the Dominion is greater than they thought.

## STEP FORWARD

ONE OF THE BIGGEST NEWS STORIES of the century—if it eventuates—will be the announcement that the scourge of cancer has been defeated. Every current discussion of the search for cancer cures and controls must be accompanied by a warning that the problem, of course, is not yet solved, that even hopeful developments are no more than that, and that any attempt to give the impression that success has been achieved is little short of criminal. But despite the great obstacles to realization of a cure, research and study continue unceasingly, and from time to time we are told of some new discovery, some new little facet of information that has been added to the store of knowledge which eventually will result in victory.

Such a piece of information is that which has been reported by Dr. Irene Corey Diller of the Institute for Cancer Research at Philadelphia. Described as "one of the most startling of this century," Dr. Diller's discovery relates to the fact that in a study of 20 human cancers and 100 mice cancers, every one was found to contain fungi—tiny invisible plants such as are commonly found in the soil; fungi plants and in food. Fungus growth, however, has never been found in healthy animal tissue, and its presence in cancerous tissues opens up a whole new field of speculation and further investigation. As Dr. Diller remarks, "a single research group could spend years exhausting the implications of these findings." It is to be hoped that further work will be speeded and that many trained experts may be found to undertake the arduous but vital experimentation that will uncover the ultimate secret.

# Business And News

By RONALD WILLIAMS  
Editor of Industrial Relations,  
The Financial Post

A BUSINESS MAN once defined an editor as a man hired by a publisher to separate the wheat from the chaff and then print the chaff. He probably got quite a laugh but he'd find nothing humorous in what too many working newspapermen think of businessmen, and the way they run their businesses.

Ask an average group of newsmen what they consider their most difficult and unsatisfactory assignment—from the point of view of results—and a large majority will say: trying to get businessmen to defend themselves, their business and the free enterprise system from attack by Communists, Socialists, Labor.

THE MAN who made that witty remark about the function of an editor is probably one of the legion of businessmen who give reporters the brushoff when they call up for help in separating the wheat from the chaff. They're too much like the people who holler the loudest about the kind of government we have but never go out to vote.

So, too often, only the union's side of a strike story gets into the paper; attacks on the investment business go unchallenged; sniping at financial institutions seldom draws an effective reply; free enterprise continues to lose skirmish after skirmish by default.

IT ISN'T that newspapers won't print what businessmen and industrial leaders have to say. Most are only too anxious to. In a free society, the task of the newspaper is to seek out and print the truth; to present both sides of the story and try to interpret what they mean. Too often, businessmen make it impossible for newspapers to fulfill their true function. How often have you seen the guilt-implying phrase in your newspaper: "Company officials declined to comment." You don't win friends and influence people that way.

Nowhere is the attack on business more fierce than that on the labor front. Yet nowhere is the resistance or counterattack more feeble. True, the president of a manufacturing firm or a banker has to be more careful in what he says than a rabid union leader.

BUT WHEN CAUTION or indifference silences his tongue, how can newspapers tell the whole story and how can public opinion be anything but pro-union and anti-business.

This reluctance to deal with newspapermen isn't restricted to these broader issues. It also applies to attempts to humanize some of our industrial and business leaders; to show the public they're not the big bad wolves they're painted. The way some receive newspapermen you'd think the businessman was doing the newsmen a favor, not the other way round.

DEVELOPMENT of public relations has done something to improve the relationship between business and newspapers and thus business and the public. But there is still a lot to be done. Many businessmen need to take a course in public relations themselves, to learn how to get along with newspapermen. Too often by a thoughtless word or deed, they undo much of the good a public relations program has created.

From a working newspaperman of 17 years' experience, here are a few tips: Never refuse point blank to see or talk to a newsmen on legitimate business. Robert Saunders, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Commission, is one of the busiest men in Canada, yet he is never too busy to take a call from a reporter. That's one reason he has one of the best "presses" in the country.

IF YOU CAN'T answer, or prefer not to, explain why not. A blunt "No Comment" doesn't look good in print.

If possible answer then and there. But make sure the newsmen knows exactly what you mean. If it is very important, tell him you'll call him right back. That will give you a chance to collect your thoughts. And call him right back. Don't forget he's got a deadline to meet and they aren't elastic. Also the other side of the story may be already in the paper. If you miss the edition, it's gone forever. It might be the big one of the day. Tomorrow is too late.

The safest course is to issue a written statement. But that takes time and editions can't wait.

ABOVE ALL, DON'T try telling him how busy you are; or worse, have your secretary tell him. In his way, he's just as busy, maybe busier.

Today, business and free enterprise are on trial. And because newspapers are still far and away the greatest mediums for disseminating news and information, they are the chief courts where the trials are heard. The complainants are Communists, Socialists, and too often, labor unions. The defendant is business. On trial is its economic system. How can the jury—the public—render a fair decision if the defendant refuses to testify?

Danish cows eat hard currency, but produce soft currency. Danish Ambassador Henrik De Kauffmann's terse explanation of Denmark's economic ills.

We do not need any more signatures. We need some settlements. Paul Martin, Canadian U.N. delegate, denouncing Soviet "peace pact."

# Our Changing World



# Smuggling—Big Berlin Industry

By JUDY BARDEN, N.A.N.A. From Berlin

SMUGGLING continues to be one of Berlin's main industries, with coffee and cigarettes the two most favored products. Polish refugees are blamed by the police for most of the activity.

REVENUE TAXES All over Germany, taxes have been imposed on these two commodities. Coffee, which already cost a day's wages for one pound, rose 50 per cent in price. Cigarettes went from two to three marks a pack. Germans preferred to deal on the black market, which was cheaper than the legal one.

DETECTIVES in the Customs Pursuit Service, which was set up in 1919 after World War I, search all trucks coming over the border.

Albrecht Krammer, head of the Berlin service, who has been on the job 27 years, estimates

Coffee and cigarettes come to Berlin from Copenhagen, the Russian zone of Germany and from Switzerland. Others are smuggled from Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia.

"We know exactly where they come from and how they get here," said Krammer. "What we don't know is where the storehouses are." But few smugglers are ever caught, he admitted, even though their storage rooms are known to be bursting with chocolate, cocoa, cigarettes and coffee.

## KNOW THEM

"We know the smugglers and the smugglers know us," Krammer said. "When we see each other on the street, we both think what is he up to now?" "Smugglers never transport their own goods. They have those who will do it for them."

# Retracing An Historic Path

French Information Service

THE Marquette team of four French Rover Scouts who left France last summer, recently reached the mouth of the Arkansas River, which is the place where Father Marquette and Louis Joliet stopped in 1673, on their discovery journey down the Mississippi, and started retracing their steps back to Canada.

EXACT PLACE As Father Marquette and Louis Joliet did, the Marquette Team started from Quebec at Three Rivers on May 25 and by way of the Saint Lawrence, the Ottawa River, Lake Huron, reached Saint Ignace, Michigan, on Aug. 2, which is the exact place from which the discovery part of the journey began. Down the northern shore of Lake Michigan and down the Mississippi River and the Mississippi down went the Marquette Team towards the mouth of the Arkansas

River which in course of time was reached.

This was the end of Father Marquette's journey down the river, so this place marks the end of the Marquette Team's journey retracing the exact steps of Father Marquette and Louis Joliet.

The Marquette Team followed exactly the route of these two French pioneers, stopped at the same places, had the same difficulties and the same portages around the Canadian rapids and the Wisconsin, and as they did, paddled their way down.

MEMORY HONORED Due to the impossibility of making the return part of Father Marquette's trip, because of the winter season, the team continued down to New Orleans to a reception committee under the sponsorship of the mayor, the archbishop, the French consul and the local Boy Scouts. In this manner was honored the memory of these other French pioneers, Cavellier de La Salle and Le Moyne d'Iberville.

# Cards For Patricia

By BRUCE BLOSSAT from New York

IT all started when a Mrs. Dorothea Grover, wife of an unemployed shipyard worker in Camden, N.J., wrote a letter to the local paper. She said her eight-year-old daughter, Patricia, has been ill most of her life. The child's biggest disappointment was that the postman never stopped at her house.

FLOOD OF MAIL If anyone had a Christmas card or two left over, would they please be kind enough to mail one to Patricia? Mrs. Grover thought that would be very nice. So did the paper, which ran a story with Patricia's picture.

Next day the postman stopped for the first time in months. He had 500 Christmas cards for the little girl. The following delivery brought 3,700. The next 4,600.

The postman gave up and a truck took over. Soon it was making deliveries twice a day, bringing as many as 12 sacksful of mail. A new bin was set up

in the post office with the label "Patricia Grover."

Cards were not all. More than 350 gift packages arrived. Patricia had said she wanted to make scrapbooks full of Christmas cards to send to other sick children in hospitals. More than 25 beautifully bound scrapbooks came to her.

Now things like this have happened often before in Canada and the United States. But people never tire of hearing about them and probably never will. They are the measure of the best that is in us, both as North Americans and as human beings.

This is a Christmas story of the richest sort. The shower of mail upon little Patricia Grover holds the key to this continent's character, to the deep spirit of helpfulness and brotherliness underlying our way of life.

The most touching part of this story is not that so many thousands of people responded to Patricia's need for friendship. It is that she, having known

so much loneliness had thought in her most dismal moments for other children who might be as badly or worse off than she.

Her new-found friends understood this and they gave with the knowledge that Patricia herself was eager to give. They sent the things she needed to make others happy.

So long as we all can display such magnificent kindness as the people of Camden showed Patricia, our countries will not be losing sight of their high goal of a full, free existence for every individual.

Then when the misfortune of one person like Patricia is made plainly known, the response is clear and swift.

## PLIGHT OF OTHERS

Not so easy is the job of keeping in mind the plight of millions of other individuals who need the help of strong friends for one reason or another.

But we must remember them all if the North American ideal is to become real.

# GLOBAL SURVEY

By DeWITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press News Analyst

About every other person one meets wants to know what the year 1950 is going to bring us in foreign affairs.

You don't need to be the seventh son of a seventh son of a prophet to know that the answer is "plenty." There are some bright spots but there also are some dirty storms blowing up. I'm reminded of a flight I made during the war over the wicked mountain field capped by "the Hump" between China and Burma.

We had more than 30 persons aboard. As we approached the Hump we encountered a terrible storm. Many got sick, and were yelling and moaning. We had to climb to about 18,000 feet—with-out oxygen in the passenger compartment—and some people became unconscious. The sensation was like that of starting to go under an anaesthetic. The next little Chinese hostess stopped to ask how I was getting along, and I allowed as how it was hard to breathe. She smiled and replied:

"Just drop your chin down on your chest and relax—let your self pass out. It won't hurt you any."

I glanced at the man across the aisle. He had his chin on his chest and was unconscious. I thanked the lady but shook my head.

## CHIN'S UP

My point is that if things get too bad this coming year we always can drop our chins on our chests and pass out. However, as the signs read I think this definitely is a year to keep "chins up." I believe we shall make the hump O.K.

Things in Western Europe look decidedly brighter from the standpoint of the Western powers. On the other hand, Asia presents a grim picture as the great Communist offensive increases in size and pressure. The trend of the battle of isms in Asia will have a vital, and perhaps decisive, bearing on the world conflict.

# CLIPPED RANDOM

## TREND OF SCIENCE

Ottawa Journal  
The Dominion Bureau of Statistics has recently compiled an interesting report on "the extent and nature of financial assistance available to post graduate students" in Canadian universities.

This short report reveals one important fact. Pure science is the pampered faculty in every respect. In numbers of fellowships and scholarships, in the money value of these awards, in remuneration for part-time employment as research assistants or laboratory instructors the pure science courses far outdistance the humanities and the social sciences.

## BLAST IT!

London (Ont.) Free Press  
A miniature sand blast in one's mouth sounds a little drastic but if it is an improvement on the present miniature pavement drill, we may have reason to be grateful to the ingenious dentist who has brought forth the new gadget. The instrument, described to North American dentists over a vast coast-to-coast network by Dr. Donald A. Wallace, of Chicago, "cuts through the tooth by means of a high speed jet of air carrying a fine abrasive." The present dental drill may be both necessary and efficient but it is an instrument of torture to most of us. High speed jet-propelled abrasive may or may not be a better operation. We shall wait and see.

# EDUCATING YOUNG DRIVERS

New York Times  
Some startling figures have been assembled by the American Automobile Association with regard to the recklessness of drivers in the younger age brackets.

The motor vehicle death rate in the age group 15-24 years has increased 86 per cent in the last 20 years. This is by far the largest rise for any age group. It culminated last year in a total of 7,100 deaths in this age bracket. It has led to a sharp rise in insurance rates for every family that contains drivers under 25 years of age and, in some instances, refusal of all insurance to members of this age group.

Leaders in the safety movement find the reason for the bad record of young drivers to be a lack of fundamentally wrong attitudes toward the car and toward the road. Youth must learn that to sit behind a wheel is a privilege rather than a right and that consideration for others is the first rule of the highway.



## Uncle Ray

ELECTRONS HAVE BEEN FREED FROM ATOMS SINCE LIGHTNING STARTED FLASHING

A small piece of iron is made up of millions and millions of tiny objects known as "molecules." The word "molecule" came from Latin, and means "little mass."

Let the piece of iron be heated to a certain point, and it will become red hot. If we heat it to 2563 degrees Fahrenheit, the iron will melt and will become a liquid. Still more heating will turn the liquid into gas.

Heat makes the molecules move. The hotter the iron, the faster they move. It also is true that the hotter the iron, the farther apart the molecules. They have more space to move when they are far apart.

Cool down the iron, and the motion of the little bits will go down. When they become solid, they are packed together and have less room and less motion. It is believed that if we could cool the iron to absolute zero, all motion of the molecules would stop.

Molecules are made of atoms. There was a time when it was believed that nothing smaller than an atom existed, but it has been learned that atoms are made up of electrons, protons and neutrons. During the present century, scientists have found ways to split the atoms, and certain kinds can be used to make explosives.

Knowledge of electrons may be called "new," but electrons have existed for all time. They worked in electricity before any one knew that anything smaller than an atom existed.

We have had electric lights only in modern times, but electricity has existed through the ages. Lightning flashes are giant electric sparks, and they come about when electrons move at terrific speed between cloud and cloud, or between cloud and earth. There is good reason to say that lightning flashed in the sky long before there were people on earth.

No atom-busting machine is need to set electrons free from some kinds of atoms. Nature has been setting them free ever since there has been lightning. Going back before that, we surely should find "free electrons" in the explosive fires of the sun.

A stream of electrons will make an electric current, and the current flows well through a copper wire. A rubber coating is used to keep electrons from escaping from the wire.

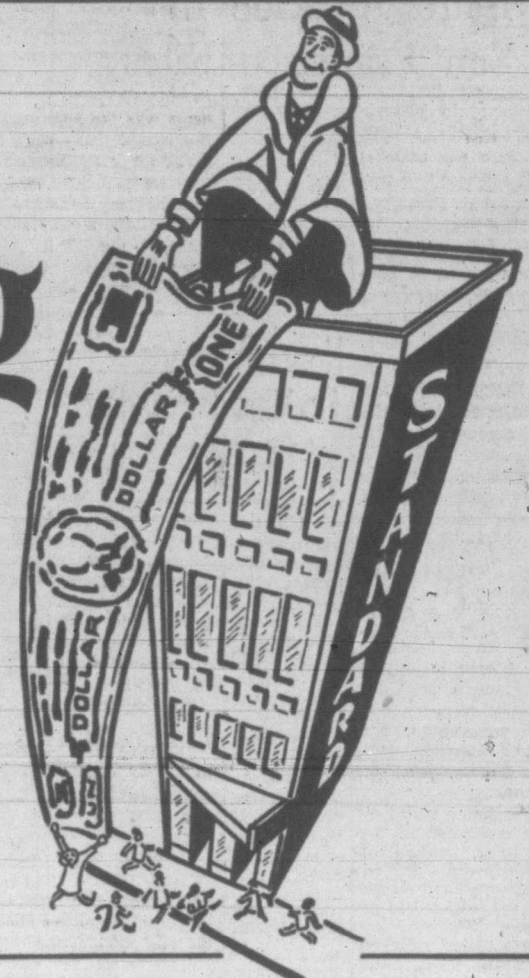
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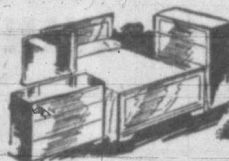
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### BEDROOM SAVINGS

4-piece Modern-style Bedroom Suite in beautiful banded walnut. Has 4-drawer chest, 4-drawer vanity with 23-inch round plate-glass mirror, upholstered bench, full-size bed. In shadow-box effect. Regular price \$179.00.

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With Twin Beds, reg. 219.00, for

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Attractive Lined Oak Bedroom Suite. Has 5-drawer vanity and stool, 23-inch picture plate-glass square mirror, 4-drawer chest, full-size bed. Regular price \$165.00.

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Same as above. Lined Oak Bedroom Suite available with Mr. & Mrs. dresser, large picture plate-glass mirror, 4-drawer chest and double bed. Regular \$179.00.

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159<sup>00</sup>

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119<sup>00</sup>

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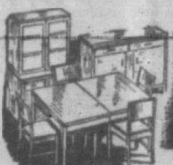
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39<sup>c</sup> Yard

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49<sup>c</sup> Yard

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A fine selection of these large upholstered chairs. Each has separate cushion. Regular price \$30.00.

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29<sup>00</sup>

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11<sup>20</sup>

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9.0x11.0 GREEN EMBOSSED BROADLOOM—Regular \$33.75.	119 <sup>50</sup>
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9.0x10.6 PLAIN ROSE-BEGE WILTON—Regular \$39.00.	79 <sup>50</sup>
January Sale Price	
9.0x11.0 GREEN FLORAL SEAMLESS AXMINSTER—Regular \$11.00.	89 <sup>50</sup>
January Sale Price	
9.0x12.0 ROSE or GREEN GROUND ALL-OVER FLORAL AXMINSTER—Regular \$5.95.	59 <sup>50</sup>
January Sale Price	
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## Helen Baird A Bride In Smart San Francisco Rites

Of much interest in Victoria and Vancouver, as well as in eastern Canada where the bride is well known, is the wedding that was held in St. John's Presbyterian Church, San Francisco, on Dec. 29 at 7 p.m.

The ceremony united in marriage Helen Patricia, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baird of Victoria, and Arnold Lorimer Ingram, son of Mrs. Ingram, Long Beach, Calif., and the late Arnold L. Ingram.

Rev. Lloyd Carrick was officiating minister.

Gold lame was chosen by the bride for her wedding gown, fashioned on classic lines with a large bow of the same material the only trimming. A Cyril Mills hat and a fan of Talsman roses completed the ensemble.

Her uncle, John E. Baird of Vancouver, B.C., gave her in marriage.

Mrs. Robert Pelton, matron of honor, was gowned in chocolate brown with small draped hat in two-toned dull gold, and with a corsage bouquet of yellow roses.

J. Jensen of San Carlos, Calif., acted as best man.

A wedding reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride, where Mrs. Ingram Sr., wearing a black ensemble with grey hat and mauve orchid en corsage, assisted in receiving guests.

A three-tier wedding cake on the refreshment table, was flanked with silver candelabra and tall white candles.

The honeymoon is being spent at Palm Springs and later Mr.

and Mrs. Ingram will be at home at 1548 Filbert Street, San Francisco.

For traveling, the bride wore a black tailored suit, white blouse with jabot, and small black hat.

Out-of-town guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. John E. Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brown of Vancouver; and Mrs. A. Ingram, Long Beach, Calif.

## Naval Veterans' Auxiliary Formed

Mrs. E. Swan, provincial president, Women's Auxiliaries to Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., presided at a well-attended organization meeting held in Naval Veterans' Auditorium for the purpose of forming a Women's Auxiliary to Naval Veterans' Branch No. 42, Canadian Legion.

The president was assisted by Mrs. A. E. MacDonald and Mrs. J. M. McCulloch, president of Pro Patria and president of Britannia Women's Auxiliaries, respectively.

The following were elected to office:

Mrs. S. A. Norman, president; Mrs. M. Fieldhouse, first vice-president; Mrs. H. Leggett, secretary; Miss Turcotte, treasurer; Mrs. J. Tharratt, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. E. Cropp, sick committee; Mrs. D. W. Barr, membership; Mrs. A. McLeod, social; Mrs. G. E. Warner, standard-bearer.

Next meeting will be held in Naval Veterans' Auditorium on Jan. 19, at 8.

## Club Calendar

St. George's-Cadboro Bay Ladies' Guild, annual general meeting, Thursday at 2, in hall.

Ex-Wrens' Association will meet Friday instead of usual Tuesday in the Board Room, entrance off auditorium, of Naval Veterans' Legion Branch, 1417 Broad Street.

Florence Nightingale Chapter, I.O.D.E., Wednesday, at 2, headquarters; nominations for officers . . . 'Sir James and Lady Douglas Chapter, I.O.D.E., Thursday, 2.15, headquarters, nominations of officers.

## Of Personal Interest

Frederick R. Sims, Victoria, and Sub-Lt. Frank W. Coston, R.C.N., Duncan, were visitors at British Columbia House, London, England, the latter part of December.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Duncan have returned to their home, 2528 Cavendish Avenue, after spending the past week in Spokane where they visited their son and daughter-in-law and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Duncan and Douglas.

Guests during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Anstey, Ambassador Avenue, have been their daughter, Miss Marjorie Anstey, a student at University of British Columbia, and their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Anstey and small son, Kevin, of Agassiz.

Mrs. D. Earl, "Maple Hurst," East Saanich, Royal Oak, had as guests over the holiday her nephew and his wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Chamberlain and Dale George, from Portland. Mr. Chamberlain is a civil and structural engineer in the Oregon city.

The 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnston, Victor Street, was celebrated last Thursday with a family dinner at the Douglas Hotel, when Mrs. M. C. Briggs entertained her parents for the occasion. The bride and groom of 25 years ago were married in St. Thomas' Church, Saskatoon, by Rev. J. A. Donnell, who now lives at Nanaimo.

Lt.-Cmdr. A. A. Turner, R.C.N. (R) and Mrs. Turner will entertain a few friends this evening at the cocktail hour at their suite on Gorge Road. Lt.-Cmdr. Turner leaves Wednesday for the mainland en route to Ottawa where he will take up his new appointment at Naval Headquarters. Mrs. Turner will remain in Victoria for the present.

St. Philip's Church, Vancouver, was the scene of a christening ceremony last Thursday afternoon when the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Elsdon, formerly of Victoria, received the names Lorraine. Rev. H. J. Grieg officiated and godparents were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Robertson of Victoria, for whom Miss Leigh Hadfield and Mr. Don McNeil, Wmack, Compton, Calif., who was present for the ceremony. Following the christening a reception was held at the home of the boy's parents.

## 'Ma' Nesbitt at 72 Town's Best Barber

CROOK, County Durham, England (CP)—"Ma" Nesbitt, a barber 62 years, boasts she gives the "closest shaves" in town.

At 72, she says her hand is as steady as it ever was.

"Most of my customers are old regulars," Mrs. Nesbitt said. "They don't think it unusual to get haircuts or shaves from a woman."

## Bluebirds, Dogs Make Life Happy For Former Opera Star

NEW YORK (CP)—Bluebirds perch on her windowsill when Freida Hempel sings.

"They like to hear her voice—as kings and presidents did in the past."

Now in her 60's, the blonde soprano, a star in the golden age of song, still gives concerts. And she teaches her art to young singers who want to go into opera.

"But they all want to make money too quickly," she sighed. "They don't like to work. Rushing is the worst enemy of the singer. Time . . . time . . . is everything. It heals and perfects. You have to go a little way through life before you have anything worth saying—or singing."

Madame Hempel still practices every day, just as when she sang with Caruso at the Metropolitan. "Just as you wash your face every day—so it is with a voice," she said. "You must exercise it."

For 33 years she has lived in the same apartment overlooking Central Park. On dreary days she hangs up a pink ribbon in the living-room to cheer her up. And the apartment is fragrant always with the scent from a brass plate heaped with dried rose petals.

"We have to improve on life a little to make it beautiful," she said.

Once a day Madame Hempel, her maid Rosa, and her old dog Brownie, walk across to the park. They flutter around her in a blue-grey cloud. She distributes 100 pounds of feed each week to the birds and small animals.



Married In St. Matthias' Church

Trevor Digby and his bride, the former Miss Patricia Mary Coulter, are pictured above following their marriage in St. Matthias' Church by Rev. K. L. Sandercock. Mrs. Digby is the daughter of Mrs. Samuel Coulter, Beach Drive, and the groom is the son of Mrs. Digby and the late Frank D. Ghy, Greatford Place. (Photo by Joncas Studio)

## Princess Takes Important Share In British Life

LONDON (CP)—Princess Elizabeth, herself a wife and mother, gave British women a lead in 1949 when she said that divorce and failing-marriage standards were shaking the foundation of the British family.

"Men's consciences are uneasy," she said in a public speech. "Much that seemed built on rock has shifted as if the foundations were sand. But beneath that sand is one solid layer which nothing has been able to break."

It was the most outspoken address Elizabeth has made since she entered public affairs and was generally applauded as a departure from the usual pleasantries uttered by members of the Royal Family. But there were a few dissenters, like the British Marriage Law Committee—aiming at easier divorce laws—which said she had spoken "out of turn."

In private life Elizabeth settled down as a housewife in her own right—the mistress of stately Clarence House on London's Mall, where she and the Duke of Edinburgh have entertained graciously in recent months. When the Duke went back to sea she became entitled to a marriage allowance of 12s 6d (\$1.94) a day. Whether she accepts or not has not been disclosed.

Though only 19, Princess Margaret, too, has earned herself a larger place in public affairs. Besides taking the lead in women's fashions, she has represented the King at home and abroad, visiting factories, the House of Commons, law courts, juvenile courts and other public institutions.

Side by side with the bubbling gaiety criticized by some people, but loved by the majority, Margaret has developed a young dignity and bright competence that have impressed statesmen and public alike.

ITALIAN VISIT

This was particularly evident during her Italian vacation last spring when she called on the Pope—the first member of the British Royal Family to do so for many years past.

Margaret saw the grandeur that still is Rome. She tramped the chariot-rutted cobbles of Pompeii and floated in a gondola down the Grand Canal in Venice. She had a grand time, but she never forgot she was representing Britain in the highest diplomatic sense.

Throughout the year gossip has linked her romantically with several different men, but current opinion in royal circles is that Margaret will not marry for several years—certainly not before she is 21.

Alongside the princesses, the Queen and Queen Mary have gained an even firmer hold on the affections of the British people. Queen Mary as a patron of the arts is an indefatigable as ever in her 83rd year. The Queen's gracious smile is never missing from the public scene.

## Novel Shoe Leads Triple Existence

KETTERING, Northampton, Eng. (CP)—Women are now able to keep up more easily with changing shoe styles, thanks to a triple-duty new shoe shown at an exhibition here recently.

The shoe, christened the "Chameleon," has one sole but three different detachable uppers.

The sole has a groove in the edge of the platform into which the wearer can, in less than a minute, fit an upper of any color and various designs. The uppers are to be fashioned in styles ranging from work shoes to evening shoes.

One manufacturer said it is possible that the idea can be applied to children's shoes "so that a succession of slightly widening uppers would fit the child's growing foot."

## Mrs. McCulloch Heads Canadian Legion Auxiliary

Mrs. D. McCulloch was named president of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., Branch No. 7, in election at a recent meeting.

Other officers are Mrs. A. Strattan, first vice-president; Mrs. A. Jones, second vice-president; Mrs. E. Jarvis, secretary; Mrs. E. Wren, treasurer; Mrs. M. Graham, social; Mrs. D. Ree, hospital sick visitor; Mrs. M. Wright, shut-in sick visitor; Mrs. E. Watson, membership; Mrs. F. E. Williamson, sergeant-at-arms.

Installation of officers will take place on Jan. 10.

During the meeting it was reported that a parcel had been sent to Britain and the following donations were authorized: Solarium, \$10; B.C. Protestant Orphanage, \$10 and Tranquille Sanatorium, \$10.

Members went on record in favor of wives of W.V.A. recipients and those receiving widow's allowances, and dependable-parent pensions paid by the Canadian pensions committee being exempt from payments of hospital insurance, and a letter to that effect was sent to the member of Parliament representing the district.

## Hospital Probes Polio Secrets

TORONTO (CP)—Research now in progress at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children is expected to provide means of telling in advance the extent to which the poliomyelitis virus will cripple affected children.

This will point the way to treatment needed in each case before the disease has run its course, possibly even before the effects of the paralysis are evident.

At present the virus is known, can be recognized and isolated. Its method of spread and contraction, however, are unknown. Continued observation of a large number of patients through all stages of the disease may throw light on the cause of the paralysis, and on the manner in which it is spread and contracted.

Great strides have been made in recent years in the correction of deformities from the paralysis.

Children with one leg several inches shorter than the other need not be handicapped by the heavy boot formerly used. Crooked spines, once common as a result of spinal paralysis, can be straightened and stiffened by a bone graft.

Other research by the Sick Children's hospital, which is at present conducting a drive for \$400,000 to complete its new building, has made great advances towards the relief of pain in acute stages of the disease.

## Diamond Wedding Despite Register

NORTH SOMERCOTES, Lincolnshire, Eng. (CP)—Although the marriage register at St. Mary's Church gives the date of their wedding as 59 years ago, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Houlden insisted on celebrating their diamond wedding.

They refused to accept the register's date and produced a family Bible to show that it was 60 years since they stood before the altar.

"The register is wrong," Houlden said.

Prepare the dough from a package of hot roll mix according to directions. Then roll it thin and spread liberally with butter and mashed sweetened cooked dried apricots. Roll as for jelly roll and cut into slices. Allow to rise and bake as usual. It's wonderful any time of day with a cup of hot coffee.

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## Catholic Groups Welcome Home Bishop Of Victoria

Parochial lay organizations of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Victoria, gathered in the parish hall, View Street, to welcome His Excellency, the Most Rev. James M. Hill, D.D., Bishop of Victoria, on his return from an official visit with the Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, in Rome.

Initial arrangements for the informal reception were made by members of Catholic Women's League of Canada, and chairman was George Murtagh, Grand Knight of Knights of Columbus.

Mrs. M. J. Haley, C.W.L. official accompanist, and St. Andrew's Cathedral Choir under direction of A. Cowden, opened the program.

The following organizations were represented and each president gave addresses of welcome:

Third Order of St. Francis, by prefect James Lee; Legion of Mary, Mrs. J. O'Connell; League of Sacred Heart, Miss Frances Briggs, Senior Subdivision, C.W.L. Mrs. W. R. Martin; Diocesan Council of C.W.L., Mrs. Arthur Smith; Provincial and National Councils of C.W.L., Miss J. Madeline Clay; Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, Arthur Stewart; St. Andrew's Cathedral Altar Society, Mrs. A. Lagace.

St. Louis College Student's Council, responded to by Billy Haley, who acted as accompanist for vocal solo by Vincent Cowden; St. Ann's Convent Student's Council, Miss Mary Jo Carroll; Catholic Girl Guides, Lieut. Lucie Carpenter; Rosary Crusade, M. Griffin, Jr., and Mr. Roehon; Perpetual Help Credit Union, G. W. LaCroix; Catholic Youth Organization, Jack De Vertre; Newman Club, Dr. J. Nash; French Club, Mme. Georges Terrien; St. Vincent de Paul and Holy Name Society, E. Leonard; Gentlemen

Ushers of the Cathedral, J. Neary.

Members of the clergy who were guests included Rev. Father A. J. McLellan, Diocesan Director of C.W.L.; Rev. Father Lewis MacLellan; Rev. Dr. A. MacDonald; Rev. Father X. Lauzon, S.M.M.; Rev. Father J. Kennedy; Rev. Father D. Lehan; Rev. Father D. Johnson.

Later Bishop Hill outlined the highlights of his tour which included England, France, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Germany and Ireland, where famous shrines and centres of world-wide historic interest were visited.

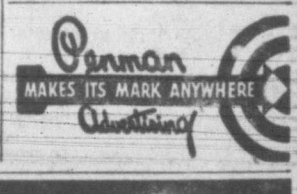
Refreshments were served by C.W.L., convened by Mesdames T. Hartnell, W. R. Martin, P. C. Shaw and M. Ormond, assisted by Girl Guides, C.Y.O. and Students' Council.

## Holiday Party

Knights of Pythias, Far West Lodge No. 1 and Pythian Sisters, Island Temple No. 8 held a successful yuletide party for members and their families at K. of P. Hall, Cormorant Street, under general convener of Sister Vera Barrie and Brother Bill Carter.

A sit-down banquet was served to all guests. Later, entertainment was provided with dancers from the Velda Wille school.

Santa Claus distributed gifts to all present. The Margaret Rose Sunshine Council No. 1 put on a drill display.



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## Shocking Stockings Have Names To Fit

NEW YORK (CP) — Note to men shoppers: When you go into a ladies' hosiery shop, don't just ask for nylons. Ask for "Follow Me" or "Two Down Front."

As if the perfumes weren't bad enough, now manufacturers are giving ladies' stockings those tantalizing names!

"Follow Me" is a new stocking which has a clock that climbs several inches up the back of the leg, in place of the back seam. The clock is said to have a slenderizing effect on not-so-slim ankles, as well as adding a decorative touch.

"Lucida," the name of another stocking, apparently takes its name from the fact that the color is translucent and clear. A new technique called the "measured stitch" makes them look extra sheer.

Givin' the effect of well-tanned legs are "Dancing Twins," which are seam-free nylons. The manufacturers of this stocking claim they are especially welcome for those ladies who say they cannot keep a straight seam.

"Two Down Front" is created apparently for theatre nights. This stocking dramatizes ankles by using a jet-black heel reinforcement on a brown stocking leg. The black accent is designed to pick up the black velvet accents on today's fashions.

## Woman, Only 24, Whiz In Physics

DURHAM, England (CP) — Mrs. Elizabeth Laverick has made history by being the first woman to lecture to the British Institute of Radio Engineers.

Though only 24 — tall, slim and good-looking — she is engaged in research work at one of the university science laboratories in Durham.

She has an honors degree in physics and within the next year hopes to put in a thesis that will give her the title of doctor of philosophy. Her husband, a former army officer, is reading for his honors degree in physics at the same university.

Elizabeth, on finishing school, worked in the radar research laboratory at Slough, Buckinghamshire. After a year there she went to Durham University where she first met her husband.

During her lunch hours she reverts to the role of housewife and goes shopping.

"I have to rush around to get it all done in the space of an hour each day," she said.

## Dorothy Dix

## DANGEROUS AGE

At what age is a man most attractive to women? In Paris the playwrights, critics, actors and actresses once sat in solemn conclave debating this important subject, and their unanimous decision was that it is the man of 40 who is most attractive to women. Women will generally agree with this verdict. Of course, bobby-soxers may dissent from it and continue to fall for schoolboys and regard the man of 40 as interesting only as an antique, but this is because they have as naïve a taste in men as they have in food.

But that even young girls are not insensible to the superior charms of the middle-aged man is abundantly proved by the fatal fascination that married men have for them and explains why so many of them fail to love with their employers. And certainly for the sophisticated woman it is undoubtedly true that a man reaches the peak of his fascination somewhere in the early 40s.

He may not be as dangerous as he was a few years earlier. He may have lost something of the boyish figure he had as a stripling. His ambrosial locks may have retreated a bit higher on his forehead, but that does not matter. But very often a man at 40 is even better-looking than he was at 20 because he has "jelled," so to speak. He has acquired poise and distinction and looks like somebody instead of just a pretty lad. Not without reason, whom no woman can resist, always depicted with a little dust of grey in his hair or a single white lock.

## MANY REASONS

There are many reasons why the middle-aged man is more attractive to women than boys are. The first is, of course, that he is more interesting. He has seen more, done more, read and thought more. Then the man of 40 talks to a woman about herself, whereas the boy always wants to talk about himself, and no woman, unless she has a strong maternal complex, longs to hear all the details of college pranks or can laugh at college humor.

The man of 40 has taken a post-graduate course in women and understands them, which the younger man never does. A boy believes that all women are alike and he has one formula for the entire sex. But by the time a man is 40 he has found out that women are individualistic and that no woman wants mass production attention and flattery. She wants something that touches the sensitive spot in her own vanity and that is hand-made for her. So he never praises the beauty for her beauty, but for her intelligence and, conversely, he never exploits a highbrow's degrees, he sings paeons of praise to her eyes.

Then the middle-aged man has developed a technique in love-making and women go through life from the cradle to the grave hungering and thirsting for romance that is romance. It is to see love properly made that sends them by the millions to the cinema and the theatre, but they never get it in real life unless a man of 40 falls in love with them.

## CAN HANDLE SITUATION

Perhaps experience has made him perfect in the art of wooing a woman, but at all events he knows enough not to mess up a situation that is the sweet morsel that a woman is going to roll under her tongue the balance of her life. He showers her with all the little attentions that women adore, and when he finally pops the question he doesn't do it, as the youthful lover is apt to, while dodging automobiles on the street or

## Jacket Tops In London



The "porter" jacket shown above highlights previews of London's spring fashions. (Photo by NANA)

LONDON — An unusual feature of the new Dorville spring collection now showing in the British capital is the "porter jacket." It is a bunched garment, tightly belted at the waist and flared softly over the hips. Slip pockets at the front of the jacket are emphasized by two large flat buttons on either hip.

Eye-catching feature is the full, elbow-length, bell-like sleeves falling from a dropped shoulder line. Buttoned with three large flat buttons on the outside arm, they barely conceal close-fitting sleeves underneath.

This jacket in scarlet wool was teamed with a slim-fitting black skirt and in grey with grey skirt. Its unusual sleeves were also used in a midnight blue corduroy velvet topcoat.

All suits in this collection were cut after the same pattern — a slim-fitting skirt with three-inch slit at the centre-back hem, worn with single-breasted jacket with high revers, sometimes buttoning right up to the neck.

Colors in all collections seem to be very muted; grey, stone, a soft orchid pink and only occasionally a vivid model in scarlet or royal blue.

## Your Baby And Mine

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

## SENSIBLE HANDLING WON'T HARM THE BABY

One runs the chance, in any small column, of being unable to say enough on any subject to be completely understood.

One reader took serious exception to my statements on handling a baby. May I explain that I do not believe in children being tossed hither and thither at the whim of some adult. Babies thrive on peace and quiet for most of their early lives. They get plenty of handling when they are bathed, fed and carried around when restless.

But, when an occasional visitor picks up a wide-awake baby and cuddles it for a moment, it seems foolish for a mother to be nervously prostrated by it. All normal adults love babies and if there is none in their own families, they may want to pick up a small, sweet bundle and hold it close a moment. No one, least of all the baby, is going to be harmed by such a nice experience.

This is another problem entirely, though it, too, relates to holding. A Mother writes: "I live in an apartment, where an old lady has T.B. She is always coming in to see the baby and insists on us bringing the baby to see her. She is not dirty though she could keep her place cleaner. Her daughter does the washing."

"The doctor told us not to let this person handle the baby. We hate to hurt her. She talks a lot and is always complaining. What shall we say to her? We enjoy your column."

Thank you for telling and asking me. Babies are especially susceptible to T.B. and should always be shielded from contact with any person suffering from it. Even if that person happened to be the baby's own mother.

In this case there is no slightest excuse for taking any chances whatever. Her own doctor should have told her how

cross-beefsteak and onions, at a restaurant table. He chooses his time and place and gives the woman her great moment with its proper background of beauty and sentiment.

It is because the man of 40 knows women and can play upon them as upon a harp of a thousand strings that makes him more dangerous to women at that age than any other.

to take care of herself so as not to be a menace to anyone with whom she comes in contact; and most of all of babies and small children.

Tell her the truth and don't mince words. Your doctor has told you you are to keep the baby away from her. If she doesn't know why, tell her.

You are enormously sorry for her; but your sympathy should not lead you to foolish indulgence of her. In this case it is better to err on the side of caution than to have reason for future regret.

Our leaflet No. 18, "Disease Preventives," deals with the ordinary immunizations of children. It may be had by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to Myrtle Meyer Eldred in care of this newspaper.

## Confections

## ORANGE MARSHMALLOWS

These use juice of flavorful California navel oranges. Soak 2 lbs. plain gelatin in ½ cup orange juice and 2 tbs. lemon juice. Put 2 cups sugar in pan, add another ½ cup orange juice and boil to hard-ball stage (235 degrees F.). Add to gelatin mixture, stir to dissolve. Beat 1 egg white stiff and slowly beat in gelatin mixture. Add 1 tsp. each, grated orange peel and lemon peel. Keep beating mixture until cool and stiff. Pour into buttered square pan dusted with 4 xxxx sugar. Garnish with nuts. When firm cut with sharp, hot knife and roll in 4 xxxx sugar.

## CANDIED ORANGE PEEL

Remove peel in fourths from three navel oranges. Cover with water, boil ½ hour and drain. Again cover with water, boil until tender, drain and cut into strips. Boil up 1 cup sugar, 2 tbs. light corn syrup and ¼ cup water. Stir in red or green food color if you wish. Add peel and cook until clear, stirring. Drain, cool and roll in granulated sugar.

## ORANGE FONDANT

Mix three tbs. soft butter with three cups powdered sugar and 1 tsp. grated orange peel. Add 1 tbs. lemon juice and about ½ the orange juice to make fondant firm enough to roll. Make Santos by rolling fondant into ovals, then flattening them out on dried apricots or peaches, stretched into oblong shapes. Use date strip as cap, raisin eyes, nut nose and cherry strip mouth. Add extra tassel ball on top. Use knife to mark beard.

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## Highlanders Form Queues For Kilts Of Their Clans

By MURIEL NARROWAY  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
EDINBURGH (CP) — Tartan is making a comeback w' its ain folk, say the tartan manufacturers.

Tartan's top-line importance as a dollar-earner has fired Scots hearts "w' a yearnin' for their ain plaid" after years of a dearth of the wearin' o' the kilt.

"And," groan the mill-owners, "we can already export three times our output without coping with the increased demand on the home markets."

So the Scots go on waiting lists to get their plaid.

In Inverness alone, the demand for kilts is 50 per cent greater than last year. This is due somewhat to the increasing popularity of Scottish country dancing.

Kilts are still the front demand, but skirts are a good runner-up. Coats and dresses have something of a demand, but the hidebound Scots traditions are agin the new-fangled tartan ideas.

## SUITS ARE OUT

Tartan suits and men's tartan dinner jackets just haven't a look-in as far as the Scots are concerned. They are bought mostly by tourists or by the English market.

Kilt prices vary with the districts. Inverness: £10 (£31) to £16. 16s. for a man's kilt. Aberdeen: £8 to 18 guineas. Glasgow: £12. 10s. for a man's kilt and £10. 10s. for a lady's. Edinburgh: 10 to 12 guineas for men, eight to nine guineas for women.

The higher priced kilts are the dress kilts. Those are made of light worsted tartan and are the correct formal Highland dress.

## Today's Recipe

## TURKEY CROQUETTES (or Chicken)

Wishing for a different way to serve the leftover holiday turkey or chicken? Crisp croquettes will appeal to the family. It's a good idea to mix the croquettes in the morning and chill until just before dinner time. Then cook them briefly and present golden brown turkey cakes to all.

Two cups ground cooked turkey, 1 10½ ounce can condensed cream of chicken soup, 1 teaspoon minced parsley, 1 teaspoon minced onion, ½ teaspoon lemon juice, ¼ cup cooked rice, 1 tablespoon water, 1 egg, ¼ cup fine bread crumbs.

Combine turkey, soup, parsley, onion, lemon juice and rice; mix well. Chill thoroughly in refrigerator; shape into 8-10 croquettes. Add water to egg; beat until frothy. Roll croquettes in crumbs, then in egg mixture and again in crumbs. Fry in deep hot fat (375 degrees F.) until brown, about four minutes. Drain on absorbent paper. Makes 8-10 croquettes.

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**HORIZONTAL**

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- Non-performance on the
- Rebulet
- Peasage
- Consumine
- Neane
- Pewter coin of Thailand
- Three in cards
- Sorrowful
- Tool of love
- Of the thing
- Exit
- Disorder
- Brought up
- Correlative of either
- French article
- Any
- Stomach for stamum
- Tid
- From to
- Toward
- Down
- Carry (coll.)
- Dress edge
- Official seeds
- Boundary
- Fortification
- Alimogore
- Sentence
- Visionary
- From rain
- Is

**VERTICAL**

- Orifice
- Three
- Reet
- Symbol for
- Spinning toy
- Verbal
- Islandic
- Grave refuse
- Blind
- Arrives (ab.)
- Not by
- Exposure to moisture
- Belin
- Symbol for selenium
- Measure of area

**ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

**LOON**

### CAPITOL THEATRE

Sanctuary, the medieval practice which permitted fugitives to seek shelter on church property, is revived by character actor Arthur Shields for his role in M-G-M's new Technicolor drama, "Challenge to Lassie," now showing at the Capitol Theatre.

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### DOMINION THEATRE

Although Cesare Borgia may have removed a record number of victims from the land of the living, his methods left a great deal to be desired so far as imagination and distinctive touches were concerned.

That is the opinion of Lyle Wheeler, who with Mark-Lee Kirk, functioned as art director on Twentieth Century-Fox's "Prince of Foxes," an exciting historical drama of Borgia's nefarious intrigues currently at the Dominion Theatre.

### Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

**ATLAS**—"South of St. Louis," with Joel McCrea.

**CAPITOL**—"Challenge to Lassie," starring Edmund Gwenn and Lassie.

**DOMINION**—"Prince of Foxes," starring Tyrone Power and Wanda Hendrix.

**FOX**—"Topper Returns," starring Roland Young and Joan Blondell.

**OAK BAY**—"How Green Was My Valley," starring Walter Pidgeon.

**ODEON**—Jean Kent in "The Gay Lady."

**PLAZA**—"Deputy Marshal," starring Jon Hall.

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**STARTING TIMES**

**ATLAS**—1.07, 3.54, 6.41, 9.33.

**CAPITOL**—1.40, 3.41, 5.42, 7.43, 9.44.

**DOMINION**—1.00, 3.03, 5.05, 7.10, 9.30.

**FOX**—6.45, 9.00, Wednesday and Saturday, 2.00.

**OAK BAY**—Doors 6.30.

**ODEON**—1.11, 3.15, 5.19, 7.23, 9.30.

**PLAZA**—2.24, 4.54, 7.24, 9.54.

**RIO**—Doors 1 p.m.

**ROYAL**—1.19, 3.20, 5.21, 7.22, 9.26.

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## Most Important Movies Of All Time-- Reporter's Estimate

**HOLLYWOOD (AP)**—What are the 10 most important movies of the half-century?

The first half of the 20th century just about spans the history of the motion picture. So the question could also read "What are the 10 most important movies of all time?"

As an amateur film historian, I have picked my own 10. They are based (1) on their influence on the motion picture industry; (2) their popularity with the public. Here they are:

1. "The Great Train Robbery" (1903) was not the first film to tell a story but it was the most successful of the early ones. It brought thousands of new fans for the budding industry and helped effect the transition from the peep-show to the nickelodeon.

2. "The Birth of a Nation" (1915) is without doubt the most important film of all time. D. W. Griffith brought the movies to maturity with this one great classic, introducing many new methods of story-telling.

### ALL-TIME TOP

The picture was controversial but amazingly popular. Made for a mere \$110,000, it returned uncounted millions and was the first film to charge \$2 admission.

3. "The Kid" (1920) represented Charlie Chaplin at his best. The screen has never seen such a successful combination of comedy and drama.

4. "The Jazz Singer" (1927) makes the list not because it was a good picture; it would seem laughable in these sophisticated times. But it was the first picture to use synchronized dialogue and music. It helped bring the revolution to talkies.

5. "42nd Street" (1933) established the musical as a film commodity. "Broadway Melody" really brought the musical into its own.

### COMEDY-ROMANCE

6. "It Happened One Night" (1934) brought mature comedy-romance to the screen. It made lasting stars of Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert and established Frank Capra as a top director.

7. "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" (1937) is chosen because it was the leading money-maker of its time and because of the delight it gave to millions of movie-goers.

8. "Stagecoach" (1939) remains the screen's greatest western. It brought a renewed interest in what might be called the screen's best (at least the surest) commodity—the outdoor epic.

9. "Gone With the Wind" (1939) has been seen by more people than any other picture. That alone would place it on this list. But it was also a stirring and faithful re-telling of a great story.

10. "The Best Years of Our Lives" (1946) was the first really fine film after the trash of the war years. Dealing realistically with postwar problems, it proved that thoughtful pictures could be profitable. It spawned the socially-conscious films of the present time.

Well, there's my list. Anybody wanna argue?

## Bridge

By **Wm. E. McKenney**

### America's Card Authority

A Happy New Year to the members of the Police Athletic League throughout the nation. It was back in 1931 that the police of New York City started to establish Youth Centres for children. Today they have 100 buildings which are used in taking care of the youngsters of New York. Every precinct has a "Pal" assigned to this work.

It is wonderful to watch these children run in and out of the different police stations looking for Andy, Tom or Tony, their pals. They no longer look upon a policeman as a "cop," but as their "Pal" who looks after their health, welfare and sees to it that they have toys and goodies at Christmas.

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2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass  
4♥ Pass 4♠ Pass  
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Every game has its rules and we have to learn when, and when not, to apply these rules in life as well as in games. Here is a hand in which we violate one of the early rules we learned in bridge, second hand low.

On the opening lead of the jack of clubs the queen is played from dummy and East wins with the ace. A club is returned and dummy's king wins the trick. Declarer then plays the jack of hearts. East covers with the queen and South wins with the king.

Declarer takes two more rounds of trump, then leads a small spade. The rule is for West, who is second hand, to play low, but if he does declarer will finesse the ten spot. East will win the trick with the queen and return a diamond. Declarer will win this trick with the ace.

Now another spade is led and the second finesse taken. The

ace of spades will then drop the king and declarer can get rid of one of his losing diamonds on the long spade.

However, if West violates the rule of second hand low and plays the king of spades and declarer allows West to hold the trick he will lose two spade tricks. If the trick, however, is won in dummy with the ace of spades, East will refuse to win the next spade trick, but will win the third one. In this way declarer will never be able to establish the long spade for a diamond discard.

## Steady Progress Noted At Nanaimo

**NANAIMO**—Increases in building permits, the assessment roll and tax collections marked a year of steady progress for Nanaimo during 1949.

Tax collections were \$245,753, or 98.03 per cent, up to Nov. 30, with total levy for the year amounting to \$250,507. Building permits for the year totaled \$1,203,125, while the assessment roll showed an increase of \$826,560.

Included in 1949 building were the C.P.R. freight and Vancouver Island Coach Lines buildings, a wharf freight shed, new Canadian Legion building, addition to the Malaspina Hotel and two new schools. Proposed building for 1950 includes a new city hall and more schools.

### SOOKE LEGION TO MEET

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# The Innocent Impostor

By Renee Shann

MISS HELEN sat forward a little. "Do you know this line well?" she asked.

Paul smiled.

"Very well indeed. I travel up and down it every day."

"We've got a niece who comes up to London three times a week," said Miss Alice. "She always catches this train home."

"Really?" said Paul with what he hoped was just the right show of polite interest.

"Maybe you've seen her," suggested Miss Alice. "She's small and dark and rather shy looking."

Paul said—quite untruthfully—that he couldn't say he'd noticed her. But then so many people traveled regularly by train.

"She should have been with us this evening," went on Miss Alice. "In fact, it's because of her we nearly missed the train. You see—"

"I don't suppose, Mr.—Mr.—"

"Taylor, Paul Taylor."

"Thank you. I don't suppose, Alice, Mr. Taylor is interested."

"Oh but I am," said Paul easily.

"She's really been rather a naughty little girl," said Miss Alice.

"Alice, please!" said Miss Helen severely.

**SLIGHTLY SHOCKED**

Miss Alice colored uncomfortably.

"You're not by any chance related to Canon Taylor of Saffron Walden?" asked Miss Helen, changing the subject.

"My uncle," said Paul, wondering how he could get back to it.

"Really, but how interesting!" "You know him?"

"I've met him once or twice," said Miss Helen. "Such an interesting man."

"He's not a bad old boy."

MISS HELEN blinked. She wasn't quite sure she approved of this jocular way of alluding to the Canon, whom she remembered as an extremely stern and very erudite gentleman. Still maybe this was the modern manner. And it was really most satisfactory to find that this young man was related to him.

"I think perhaps we should introduce ourselves," she said warmly. Our name is Melville. I'm Miss Helen Melville, and this is my sister, Miss Alice Melville."

"How do you do," said Paul gravely. And then he smiled. "Though that's a little late in the day." And then, quite disarmingly: "I'm delighted to meet you."

Miss Alice made a little fluttering gesture.

"I don't know how we'd have got on without you. We'd most certainly never have caught this train."

**SEIZED OPENING**

Paul seized this opening.

"You'd have been still waiting for the naughty niece. Tell me if it isn't impertinent to ask—are you expecting her to travel down by the next train?"

Miss Alice shook her head.

"No. We're afraid she's staying away for the night. We're really very worried about her."

Paul was aware of a sudden, and, he supposed, quite unreasonable anger. Coupled with a very real uneasiness. What the blazes was Patience up to?

"I suppose you know where she is?" he said.

"Well, no, we don't. You see, she's been away for the weekend. That's why we're so anxious," said Miss Alice.

Paul started. He remembered Patience in that box at the theater. Patience on the stage, at that party, so clearly put out because just for a moment she'd been parted from that dogged actor fellow. Patience being shamelessly and most fervently kissed goodbye by him on the platform. His anger deepened. He knew a desperate urgency to do something. To pull the communication cord, stop the train, and chase straight away back to London. Only that, of course, would be plumb crazy. Where the blazes would he start looking for her?

**OFFERS HELP**

"I think I'd rather talk of something else, Alice," said Miss Helen firmly.

"Of course," said Miss Alice. "I'm sorry, dear. It's just that I'm a little unhappy about her."

"She'll be back tomorrow all right," said Miss Helen.

"But if she isn't, Helen?" said Miss Alice tremulously.

"Ah, that's a point," said Paul. "Supposing she isn't? I say, I suppose I can't do anything to help?"

"You're very kind," began Miss Alice.

Miss Helen looked at him. She shook her head.

"Oh, no. I assure you that though my sister may sound a little anxious, I'm not really worrying at all. And, as I've just said, I would really much prefer not to discuss the subject any further." Her expression changed, and a rather forced brightness spread across her face: "Tell me, Mr. Taylor, do you live much farther down the line than Oakley? I'm only asking because it occurred to me that possibly you might care to come over to tea with us one afternoon. We could be so happy if you could. I'd be glad too for you to meet Patience."

**INVITATION ACCEPTED**

Paul said he'd be delighted. It was really most kind of them. He'd be free the following Saturday. He could easily slip over by car.

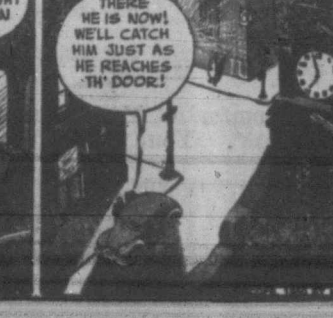
"We'll expect you then about 4:30. Our address is Rose Cottage, High Wycombe."

Paul smiled.

"I'll remember that easily."

"We shall look forward to seeing you," said Miss Alice. She glanced at her sister. Was it possible that something of what she had said was influencing her? If so it was the first time such a thing had happened. Miss Alice felt a secret satisfaction. She was delighted that this very pleasant young man was coming to tea on Saturday. And she felt almost certain Patience would like him.

(To Be Continued)



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**HOME ON THE RANGE**—Looking over the electric range which she won—along with \$50,000—for the best recipe in a nationwide contest is Mrs. Ralph E. Smafield of Detroit. A plate of her grand-prize-winning "Water-Rising Nut Twist" is on the range. Also with a finger in the pie is Harvey B. Andrews of Inglewood, Calif., one of three men among 100 contestants who vied for cooking honors in New York.



## Says Salt Lake Could Grow To Cover Three U.S. States

**SALT LAKE CITY (UP)**—Utah's famed Great Salt Lake, which once spread over parts of three states, could grow back to its gigantic old size in 25,000 years.

It would take just a slight change in climate to recreate the old Lake Bonneville that once filled the great Bonneville Basin, in the opinion of Arthur E. Granger, U.S. government geologist in Salt Lake City.

Granger bases his predictions on data gathered while preparing an educational film on the history of the lake. He pointed out that a one- or two-inch increase in precipitation coupled with a year-round temperature drop of a few degrees would do the trick.

### FAST CHANGES

Granger pointed out that over a period of 25,000 years the lake could regain its former size, about the same as that of Lake Michigan. At one time Lake Bonneville covered most of Utah and parts of Nevada and Idaho. It is estimated that the surface was once 1,000 feet above the present area comprising Salt Lake City. The lake had a length of about 350 miles and was around 150 miles wide—but with no outlet to the sea.

## U.S. Military Experts View Africa As Strategic Base

**WASHINGTON (NANA)**—American military experts are turning their attention to Africa as a strategic intercontinental base in the event of atomic attack by Soviet Russia.

The experts view the African continent as the tactical base from which the U.S. can mount a gigantic air-power counter-attack to repel a Russian "atomic Pearl Harbor."

"As a military base in the atomic age, Africa is superior to any other continent," asserts Maj. Gen. Hugh J. Knerr, pointing out that "Africa is the principal source of the raw materials for atomic weapons."

He advocates making Africa a "full partner" in the next war. He says the Russians, who doubtless will neutralize Great Britain and atom-bomb American seaports in the first phase of the war.

General Knerr, an advocate of air power as the primary strategic weapon, believes that the U.S. should deliberately plan now to build up Africa as a base under President Truman's point four development program.

**ADVANTAGES APPARENT**

"The many advantages of Africa become apparent," declares Knerr in a military analysis written for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, "when it is considered in the light of the secondary phase of an atomic war."

"On the entire continent, except for two harbors, there is not a lucrative atomic target. There are wide open spaces, no vast population centres which can be intimidated or made to suffer unduly," he points out.

Knerr, who is now retired, served in the strategic air forces during the last war, and in smaller years fought with Gen.

As torrents of rain and heavily stocked glaciers continued to increase the size, Lake Bonneville finally overflowed through Red Rock Pass in south Idaho. The sudden passage of water destroyed a section of the mountain and the water rushed towards sea-level and the Pacific Ocean, via the Snake and Columbia Rivers.

The lake thus dropped about 375 feet in a relatively short time.

From this stage the lake slowly receded by evaporation and reduced precipitation. Geologists believe the process took perhaps 100,000 years. Others, including Granger, place the age of the lake at 25,000 years.

### MORMONS SETTLED

A parched desert landscape, flat and salty, fenced and avoided by the Indians, was left when the lake's shrinkage stopped. Mormon leader Brigham Young eyed the fertile uplands east of the lake and there settled his new "Zion."

Granger says Utahans can be thankful that Lake Bonneville existed. He claims that without it the area now called Utah would be a wasteland desert.

He pointed out that fine material deposited on the old lake bottom thousands of years ago now furnishes fertile soil for farming in the valleys. And the delta areas, formed by rivers and streams running into the lake, deposited a slightly rocky material upon which orchards flourish.

## Third Death Follows Alberta Train Collision

**CALGARY (CP)**—The death toll in the Southesk, Alta., train wreck stood at three today.

Miss Violet Cowley, 30, of Arrowwood, Alta., died in a hospital here Saturday.

George Peter Jacobs, 19, of Regina, died Monday in the hospital at Medicine Hat, Alta.

The other victim, 23-year-old Reid B. Heffern of Moose Jaw, Sask., died en route to a hospital after the collision between a passenger train and an express train at the Southesk siding last Thursday. Southesk is 95 miles east of Calgary on the C.P.R. main line.

Jacobs and Heffern both were C.P.R. employees.

The Regina man suffered fractures of both legs, a spine injury and a skull fracture. He died without regaining consciousness since the accident. His father, Joseph Jacobs of Regina, was at his hospital bedside.

Sixty-six others were injured being taken to Calgary for hospital attention.

### Yule Parties At Sooke

**SOOKE**—Thirty boys and girls attended the party for veterans' children staged by Sooke Branch of the Canadian Legion in Legion Hall.

Mrs. Donald Morrison played the piano for games. Jack Myers, legion president, and Gordon Nixon were in charge. The Women's Auxiliary served refreshments.

**SOOKE**—Proceeds of a Yule tide party held in the Community Hall here will be directed to Holy Trinity Church. Providing entertainment were the Misses Carol Chivers, Carol Collins, Geraldine Gonder and Beth Martin. Charles Sheldrick sang and Mrs. Florence Acreman was accompanist. Old-time and modern dancing was enjoyed.

### Gas Fills Rooms; Man's Life Saved

**WINNIPEG (CP)**—An elderly housekeeper who fought her way through a gas-filled room to the telephone Monday was credited with saving her employer's life.

Mrs. B. Voagil, 74, and George Cox were reported recovering in hospital after a slow leak in a gas main filled the house with deadly fumes.

Police said Mrs. Voagil collapsed while crawling to the telephone to call a doctor, then recovered and crawled the remaining few feet.

**WHITSTABLE, Kent**—A farmer found his cow taking a bath in a water tank. Firemen had to build a stairway of straw bales to get the animal out.

## City Men Spend New Year's Eve Marooned On Lonely Island

Dubious honor of having spent one of the quietest New Year's Eves must go to two Victoria men who spent the night huddled over a fire on a small and lonely island in the Chain Islands group, about a mile and a half off the Oak Bay shoreline.

The two were George Farmer, 2631 Ansonby Place, and Robert Noble Jr., 1536 Athlone Drive. Both are city building contractors.

Being enthusiastic duck hunters, the two friends decided to spend their free Saturday afternoon at their favorite pastime. Both having arranged to attend New Year's Eve parties at night, they promised to be home by 6.

They rented a rowboat for their hunting expedition and rowed to the Chain Islands.

Toward evening, however, when the time came for the two to head homeward a strong south-west wind sprang up and they were unable to launch their boat. They decided the only thing to

do would be to wait until the wind subsided.

To keep warm they built a fire and it was this fire that attracted the attention of a passing tugboat which reported it.

Relief to the hunters came next morning at 7 when a Royal Canadian Navy fire boat from Esquimalt arrived to pick them up. The two were taken off the island none the worse for their experience.

Mr. Farmer recalled today: "From the island we could see all the lights of the city and could hear the whistles and tooters blowing at midnight. We just shook hands and wished one another a Happy New Year."

## U.S. Defence Of Formosa Advocated By Ex-President

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—Former President Herbert Hoover Monday called for the United States to defend Formosa and raise "a wall against communism in the Pacific."

The Chinese Nationalist forces of Chiang Kai-shek, beaten on the Chinese mainland by the Communists, are seeking to hold Formosa, big island off the south central coast of China, north of the Philippines. President Truman is reported to have decided against use of United States armed force to help protect Formosa.

The country's only living ex-President said he believes strongly the United States should:

1. Use naval power if necessary to safeguard Formosa, the Pescadores and possibly Hainan Islands. The Pescadores are small islands between Formosa and the Chinese mainland. Hainan is a large island off the south China coast east of French Indo-China.
2. Refuse recognition to the Chinese Communist regime.
3. Continue recognition and support of Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government.

Hoover disclosed his views in a letter released by Senator William Knowland (Rep., Calif.): a bitter critic of administration policy in China and the Far East.

Hoover wrote in residence in New York city in response to a request from Knowland for his views on the China situation.

He said "there is merit in the contention that the continuous

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## Rod Pantages Big Gun In Bombers' Bowl Grid Victory

VANCOUVER (CP)—The star-studded Vancouver Blue Bombers slipped and slithered their way Monday to an 8 to 0 triumph over Calgary's Junior Stampede in the third annual Evergreen Bowl football tilt.

While 2,600 fans shivered in frigid weather, the power-packed Bombers proved too much for the Albertans by using almost unlimited reserve power to grind out first downs.

Rod Pantages, senior star with Calgary Stampede of the Western Canada Interprovincial Football Union, booted 65 yards in the first quarter for a Vancouver point and 17 yards in the second for another angle.

Then, with Calgary showing its only power of the day, fellow senior Stamp, Pete Thodos, ripped 40 yards to the two-yard strip from where Pantages stepped over for the only major.

Through the fumbles and slips caused by the temperature, senior Stamp Normie Kwong shone for the losers.

## Providence Clings To Game Lead In American League

Providence Reds continue to hold a one-game edge over second-place Buffalo Bisons in the eastern division of the American Hockey League. Roger Bedard, who contributed five goals to their two victories during the holiday week-end, played the leading role in the triumphs.

The veteran right winger pulled the hat-trick Sunday night when the Reds defeated Hershey Bears 6 to 3 and he scored two goals Saturday night when the league leaders topped Springfield 5 to 2.

In the western section holiday activity proved one thing for Cleveland Indians—a longer lead.

Indians now lead the pack by 16 points, the result of a win and draw. Saturday they trounced Cincinnati Mohawks 5 to 1, but the return engagement Sunday ended in a 6 to 5 stalemate. Gilles Dube picked up three goals and an assist in leading the Cincinnati attack in the New Year's night game.

Buffalo, in a desperate attempt to overtake Providence, took two games during the week-end to break a second-place deadlock with Springfield, who broke even with a win and loss.

Bisons took Hershey Bears into camp 4 to 1 and drubbed Pittsburgh Hornets 6 to 3. Springfield lost out to Providence Saturday and came back the next night to edge New Haven 3 to 2.

## Hockey Standings

COAST LEAGUE	
Northern Division	
Westminster	19 9 12 168 128 50
Seattle	18 14 6 118 141 42
Vancouver	18 16 5 171 151 41
Tacoma	17 16 4 174 137 38
Victoria	17 17 3 132 149 37
Portland	14 18 4 119 127 32
Southern Division	
S. Francisco	22 10 2 145 97 46
San Diego	15 15 8 107 119 38
Los Angeles	11 20 4 115 134 26
Fresno	9 21 7 92 127 25
N.H.L.	
Detroit	22 6 4 116 75 48
New York	14 12 7 72 78 35
Montreal	13 13 9 79 73 35
Boston	12 16 8 98 111 32
Toronto	12 18 6 83 106 30
Chicago	11 17 6 101 106 28

## ICE SCHEDULE AT THE ARENA

Tuesday, January 3	
V.F.C.—4 to 10 a.m.	
Jr. Hockey—10 to 12 noon	
Public Skating—2 to 5 p.m.	
Commercial Hockey—7 to 11 p.m.	
Wednesday, January 4	
V.F.C.—4 to 10 a.m.	
Junior Hockey—10 to 12 noon	
Public Skating—2 to 5 p.m.	
Commercial Hockey—7 to 11 p.m.	
Thursday, January 5	
Cougars Practice—9:30 to 11 a.m.	
V.F.C.—4 to 10 a.m.	
Junior Hockey—10 to 12 noon	
Public Skating—2 to 5 p.m.	
Minor Hockey—7 to 11 p.m.	

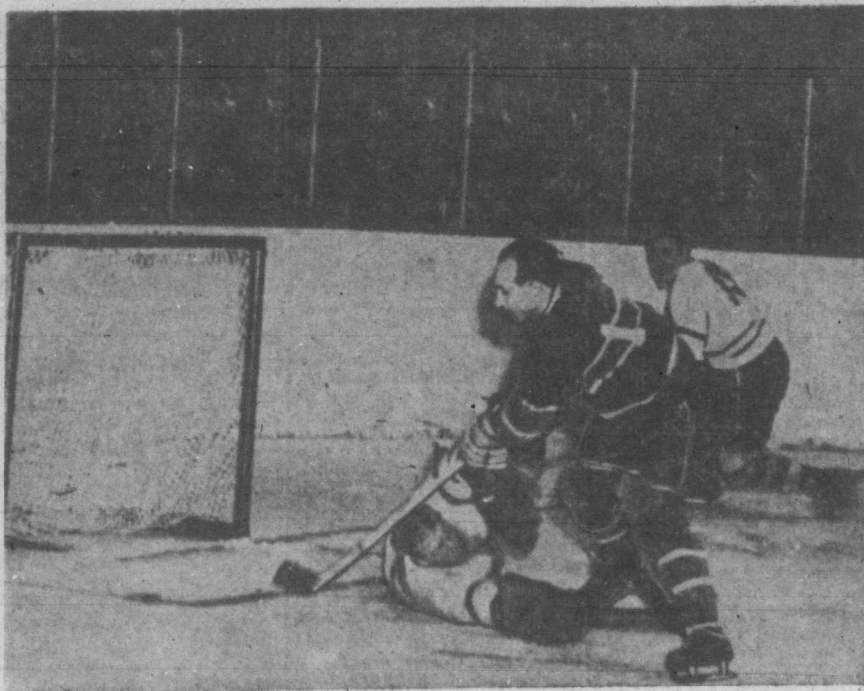
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Here's The Stretch—And The Pitch

Billy Reay of the Canadiens had the Toronto Maple Leafs completely beaten to score in a recent clash between the two clubs. Reay is seen in the act of nudging the puck into the net. Leafs' goalie, Turk Broda, is stretched at full length on the ice, but he can't reach the puck. Toronto defenceman, Bill Barilko is over near the rail and out of the play. Canadiens won.

## Field Goal Gives Ohio State Thrilling Rose Bowl Victory

By MILO FARNETTI

NEW YORK (AP)—Ohio State, Oklahoma, Rice and Santa Clara won major bowl football victories Monday, the fast-finishing Ohioans defeating favored California 17 to 14 on a 17½-yard last-gasp field goal in the Rose Bowl.

Oklahoma lived up to its second-place National ranking by trouncing Louisiana State 35 to 0 before 82,470 at New Orleans. The powerful Sooners won their second straight Sugar Bowl game and 21st in a row.

Here's how the other top games turned out (attendance in parentheses):

Cotton Bowl—Rice 27, North Carolina 13 (75,347).

Orange Bowl—Santa Clara 21, Kentucky 13 (64,816).

Gator Bowl—Maryland 20, Missouri 7 (20,000).

End Jim Hague stood on California's 17½-yard line in the Rose Bowl and kicked a field goal to break a 14 to 14 tie with one minute and 55 seconds left.

More than 100,000 spectators saw the west coast go down for the fourth straight year in the Big Ten-Pacific Coast series. The official count was 100,963.

Hague is the same man whose place kick gave Ohio State a 7 to 7 tie with Michigan and the co-championship, sending the Buckeyes to the bowl.

In the top four games, two favorites won and two lost. California rated six over Ohio State, Oklahoma eight over Louisiana State, Rice 7½ over North Carolina and Kentucky 5½ over Santa Clara.

### BAD BEAR PUNT

The decisive tally came after the Bucks returned the ball to the California 18 after a short punt by Bob Celeri. Ohio State moved to the five then was penalized back to the 10.

Hague then kicked a perfect placement on fourth down to win the game.

California had come from behind to tie it up at 14 to 14 in the third period on a 44-yard run by Jim Monachino.

California ranked third nationally and Ohio State sixth in the final Associated Press poll.

In the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans, the powerful Sooners from Norman, Okla., lived up to their national ranking right behind Notre Dame in trouncing Louisiana State.

The Tigers, ranked ninth and an eight-point underdog, threatened for a while in the first period then folded before the great Oklahoma ground attack.

Leon Heath ran 86 yards for Oklahoma's third touchdown, the longest in Sugar Bowl history.

### RICE IN EASY WIN

In the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, Southwest Conference champion Rice overwhelmed North Carolina on the ground to score the game's first 27 points.

Quarterback Tobin Rote's passing and Billy Burkhalter's running put the Tar Heels deep in the hole. North Carolina, led by Charlie Justice and Billy Hayes, scored its two touchdowns in the last quarter in a belated rally.

Burkhalter's twisting runs brought two touchdowns, helped

set up another and spearheaded a fourth.

Rice, ranked fifth nationally in the AP poll, rated a touchdown favorite over North Carolina, ranked 16th.

### KENTUCKY UPSET

Underdog Santa Clara overcame a 7 to 0 half-time deficit to upset Kentucky in the Orange Bowl at Miami. The Wildcats ranked 11th and Santa Clara 15th nationally.

## Alaska Varsity Wins Ice Bowl In 'Hot' Weather

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—

Leo Helsby kicked a 35-yard field goal Monday from a cleared spot in 10 inches of snow to give the University of Alaska a 3 to 0 victory over the Ladd Air Force Base Flyers in the second annual Ice Bowl game.

Neither team could gain consistently through the heavy snow that blanketed Griffin Park Field.

The score was the first made in this farthest north football classic. Last year's inaugural between the same two teams ended in a no-score deadlock.

In contrast to the 1949 game's subzero temperatures, yesterday's contest was played in a mild 10 above-zero weather. The "heat wave" brought out several dogs who several times leaped into the scrimmage.

More than 1,000 parka-clad spectators packed the bleachers, whose seats were warmed by air-plane heaters. A 35-piece band entertained from a heated tent.

## Tough Luck Bastien Given Coaching Berth

PITTSBURGH (AP)—A 20-year-old Timmins, Ont., hockey star who isn't worried over the loss of an eye has become the youngest coach in the American Hockey League.

He's Aldege (Baz) Bastien, new mentor of Pittsburgh Hornets. The former all-star goalie received the job as a New Year's Eve present from owner Johnny Harris. The Hornets immediately won 4 to 2 over New Haven to celebrate the appointment.

"I was never so surprised in my life," Bastien said a short time after he got the job.

Bastien replaces Bob Davidson, who was in his third season as coach of the steel city team which is mired in fourth place of the league's western division.

Bastien started this season with the toughest breaks to befall a hockey player—an injury which meant he was through with active playing. He was going through the first practice session at Welland, Ont., Sept. 19 when a flying puck struck him in the face. A few hours later his right eye was removed.

"Sure, I was discouraged, but I've found that I can get along okay," Bastien said after watching his charges beat New Haven. "I've learned that physical handicaps are just like anything else. You can overcome them. I've been out on the ice several times and this coaching will be right down my line. I only hope I can make good."

Harris and Hornet players believe Bastien will do just that. They all say he has plenty of hockey savvy—he's a student of the game and his knowledge, and fighting ability, made him a standout at the net. He made the league's all-star team three consecutive seasons, including 1948-49.

## New Line Fires Three Goals As Cougars Wallop Vancouver

Victoria Cougars presented owner Lester Patrick with the perfect New Year's gift—a 4 to 2 Coast Hockey League victory over Vancouver Canucks before over 4,000 holiday fans at the Memorial Arena Monday afternoon. It was a much-needed win, moving the Cougars within a point of the fourth-place Tacoma Rockets. The latter shoved the Victoria squad into fifth spot over the week-end with twin victories over Portland Penguins by identical 4 to 1 scores.

Cougars and Canucks put on one of the fastest engagements seen here this season. As Coach Eddie Wares of the Victoria club remarked: "You had to skate to keep warm." After a scoreless first period—the first goal-free initial frame her this season—the clubs cut loose for five goals in the second period and one in the third. Cougars led 3 to 2 after 40 minutes and punched home an insurance counter just past the 15-minute mark in the third.

### NEW LINE STARS

Coach Wares continued to use his revamped line-up and even did a lot more switching around. Outstanding in the Victoria win was a new forward combination of centre Russ Kopak with George Hayes and Georges Bougie on the wings. The trio provided three of the Victoria goals with the fourth going to Roy McKay.

For a five-minute period in the second period when Canucks struck for two fast goals, to take a short-lived 2 to 1 margin, the Victoria defence stood up well. Bernie Strongman continued to show improvement as Wares' partner and picked-up an assist on the first goal. Flori Goegan, although he made a couple of mistakes on attempted pass outs from his zone, looked good offensively, picking up two assists and making the play for his club's second counter. Eddie Marneau was used both on defence and left wing.

He was the losing goalie, but Lucien Dechene turned in a spectacular performance for Canucks.

## Seattle Ironmen Buy Pete Wywrot

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—Pete Wywrot, 28-year-old veteran centre from Fort Erie, Ont., Monday night was sold outright to the Seattle Ironmen by the San Diego Skyhawks and will immediately join the northern division Pacific Coast Hockey League club.

Wywrot, who joined the Hawks this season after alternating between Oakland and San Francisco during the three previous Coast League campaigns, had bagged nine goals and 24 assists for San Diego in 38 games.

### COLUMBIA WINS

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—The University of Columbia Lions, led by sharpshooting guard John Abery, defeated the University of Oregon, 74 to 62, here Monday.

Oregon never seriously threatened to turn back the fast-breaking Lions.

### Veteran Sam Angott In Draw With West

BALTIMORE (AP)—Sammy Angott, ringwise and on the comeback trail, held the favored Sonny Boy West of Washington, to a 10-round draw Monday night.

The one-time world lightweight champ used a strong stinging left to topple West to the canvas for the fight's sole knockdown. West was up before the count started.

## Lindsay Six Points Up In Scoring Race

MONTREAL (CP)—Ted Lindsay of Detroit Red Wings has taken a commanding six-point lead in the National Hockey League scoring race.

League statistics released today show that the 24-year-old left winger has 16 goals and 26 assists for a total of 42 points, six more than teammate Sid Abel who is in the runner-up spot with 16 goals and 20 assists.

Doug Bentley of Chicago Black Hawks is in third place with 34 points, made up of seven goals and 27 assists.

Montreal's Bill Durnan is still holding onto the favored spot in the netminding business. Goaler Bill has allowed 75 goals in 35 games for an average of 2.04 goals a game.

Toronto's Gus Morton tops the league in the penalty parade with 80 minutes spent in the "cooler" in 34 games.

Leaders follow:	G.	A.	Pts.	Min.
Lindsay, Detroit	16	26	42	67
Abel, Detroit	16	20	36	61
Bentley, Chicago	7	27	34	68
Richard, Montreal	3	29	32	61
Pitman, Boston	16	16	32	29
R. Conacher, Chicago	13	17	30	4
Baily, Boston	14	16	30	2
Howe, Detroit	14	16	30	37
Mosienko, Chicago	12	19	31	2
Fryslund, Chicago	16	11	27	16



Canada's Largest?

A \$650,000 face-lifting program to give the University of Toronto stadium, site of the East-West foot ball finals, a capacity of 29,000, was announced Friday by Dr. Sidney Smith, president. This aerial photo has been marked to illustrate the changes—to be completed in time for the 1950 football season. The covered stands on the west side of the field will be replaced by new uncovered concrete bleachers. These will give a seating capacity of 22,000. An additional 7,000 will be accommodated in temporary bleachers on the east side and at the north end.—(CP Photo)

## Hockey Scores

SUNDAY	
N.H.L.	
Toronto 0, Detroit 5.	
New York 0, Boston 6.	
Montreal 1, Chicago 5.	
A.H.L.	
Hershey 3, Providence 6.	
Pittsburgh 3, Buffalo 6.	
Cleveland 6, Cincinnati 6.	
St. Paul 0, Indianapolis 3.	
U.S.H.L.	
Minneapolis 3, Kansas City 6.	
Louisville 4, St. Paul 2.	
QUEBEC SR.	
Shawinigan Falls 1, Montreal 6.	
Ottawa 0, Sherbrooke 2.	
Valleyfield 4, Quebec 5.	
MONDAY	
W.C.S.H.L.	
Saskatoon 3, Regina 2.	

## Alter Basketball Schedule As Navy Players On Leave

Due to the fact a number of members of the Navy basketball team are still on Christmas leave a change in this week's basketball schedule has been necessary, Hank Casilio of the Victoria and District Basketball League announced today.

The new schedule flips three games slated for the High School gym Wednesday and Saturday nights.

Tomorrow night Knott & Elford will meet West End in the feature senior B men's game at 9. Elks and St. Louis College of the Intermediate A Men's League will clash at 8 with Y.M.C.A. and St. Louis College of the Junior Boys' League meeting at 7.

Saturday night's card is headlined by a renewal of the senior A feud between Arrow Furniture and Y.M.C.A.

## George Agar Holds 12-Point Margin

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—George Agar, Minneapolis Millers' centre, today led the scorers in the United States Hockey League, for the fourth successive week. Agar, a Saskatoon product, held a margin of 12 points over second-place Len Halderson of Tulsa Oilers. Agar had 20 goals and 35 assists for a total of 55 points, compared with the Oklahoman's 43 points.

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## Mayor Starts Fourth Term



Mayor Percy E. George took the oath of office today and received the seal of the Corporation of Victoria from Magistrate Henry C. Hall. W. L. Ostler, police court clerk, is seated at the desk. In the background, left to right, are: School Trustees, Arnold Trevett and Maj. R. H. Green, Aldermen Percy B. Scurrah, Charles Banfield and Mrs. Margaret D. Christie. Also sworn in today but not shown in the picture were Alderman William Pinfold and Police Commissioner James E. Neely.

A new year began at City Hall this morning with the swearing in of Mayor Percy E. George for his fourth term by Magistrate Henry C. Hall in City Council Chambers.

Following introduction by M. Frank Hunter, city clerk, three aldermen, two aldermen-elect, two school trustees and one police commissioner were presented with the Bible by W. L. Ostler, police court clerk, to take the oath of office.

Aldermen Margaret D. Christie, Charles Banfield and Waldo Skilling, all of whom were re-elected to office at the December elections, were also sworn in.

Aldermen Percy B. Scurrah and William Pinfold, newcomers to council who were elected in December, next took the oath of office. They were followed by Robert H. Green and Arnold Trevett, school trustees. Mayor Percy George took the oath of office as police commissioner, followed by James E. Neely, who was re-elected at the December elections.

Among spectators at the ceremony were Aldermen Harold M. Diggon, F. G. Mulliner, Dr. J. D. Hunter and Hilda Baxter.

**"BIG BUSINESS"**  
"You will appreciate even better than I, the heavy duties you are taking on for the business of the City of Victoria today is really big business," Magistrate Hall said in a brief address following the swearing-in ceremony.

He expressed his pleasure at being able to participate in the ceremony and turned the seal of the Corporation of Victoria over to Mayor George.

He referred to the city's capital account of \$5,000,000 and said: "It is a matter of importance and difficulty to distribute such a sum in an economical and fair manner."

"I am glad to see so many well-qualified citizens offering themselves for election and I feel it is an excellent example of democracy in progress."

The school board, he said, would have its troubles with increased school population and consequent overcrowding. Referring to the work of police commissioners, Magistrate Hall said the increased population was an added burden to the commission who found it necessary during the past year to organize a special squad just for traffic.

"I know the citizens of Victoria can be assured the city is in good hands," he said.

In accepting the seal of the city, Mayor George expressed his and council's appreciation of the fact that Magistrate Hall came to the city council chambers for the ceremony.

## Believe Week-End Demand For Taxis Set New Record

Busiest people in Victoria over the extended New Year's week-end were taxi drivers and dispatchers.

Return of snow and ice to city streets made their work more hazardous than usual but at the same time increased demand for their services. Many private cars stayed in garages during the holiday while their owners played it safe by hiring a cab.

## Mayor Promises Action To Remedy Court Acoustics

Indications that action will be taken to improve the acoustics of the city police court were given by Mayor Percy E. George today as he accepted the seal of the Corporation of Victoria from Magistrate H. C. Hall at the swearing-in ceremony in City Council chambers.

"We can promise you some alleviation of the difficulty you have had with courtroom acoustics," Mayor George said with a smile as he referred to the many complaints and pleas for action which have been heard over the past few years.

"We know how often courtroom officials have had to complain about the situation and it is too bad they had to complain so loud and often before the matter reached official ears."

In expressing his thanks to Magistrate Hall for his "spirit of co-operation" in coming to City Council chambers for the ceremony, Mayor George said council and he were not unmindful of the difficulties that must be faced this year with regard to the civic budget.

About \$45 damage was done to a car owned by George Kirkendale, 2640 Wark Street, when it was struck by an unidentified vehicle Sunday while parked opposite 1165 Oxford Street, city police said.

About \$150 damage was done to two cars in collision on the Johnson Street Extension early Sunday morning. Police said the cars were driven by Robert H. Brazier, 1687 Hillside Avenue and Duncan Kennedy, 479 Foster Street.

The demand was believed by many taxi men to be something of a record. Some of the larger cab companies were taking New Year's Eve reservations as early as a week in advance and, by the morning of Dec. 31, had more than 50 calls on their books.

When snow began falling early New Year's Eve, taxi dispatch offices were flooded with calls. Some offices were forced to turn customers away as early as 8 o'clock.

Heaviest demand for cabs came after 1 on New Year's morning when celebrants began thinking of returning home. Demand was such that in some cases, persons had to wait two or three hours for their taxi.

## BAD WEATHER, GOOD BUSINESS

New Year's Day was another busy time for taxis and the demand continued Monday as well. Consensus of opinion among taxi operators today is that business will remain good as long as the weather remains bad.

Cab companies this holiday season were hampered somewhat as for the first time, they were unable to employ private cars as extra taxis. A recent city ordinance provides that cars used as taxis must be previously examined by police and must also be equipped with a meter.

Bus companies carried good loads throughout the holiday. Traffic was well dispersed, however, and there were no particular rush periods.

Travel between Victoria and Vancouver was good but there was no great rush for accommodation as there had been at Christmas.

B.C. Coast Service officials said their ships had no difficulty handling the holiday crowd. A Trans-Canada Air Lines spokesman said business was just a little above normal. Two extra flights were scheduled Saturday and Monday.

## Snow Cuts Attendance At New Year Events In City



Uniforms of the armed services were plentiful at the reception held by Lieutenant-Governor Charles A. Banks and Mrs. Banks at Government House.

Victoria's welcome to 1950 was not perhaps as boisterous as in some years but the week-end was generally a happy one as 1949 made way for the half-century year.

The fact that Baby '50 made his entrance on a Sunday swaddled in a cloak of snow is believed the main reason why the crowds of revelers were smaller than usual.

Ice-coated and snow-packed streets made driving over the week-end exceedingly dangerous and many car owners "stayed put" rather than battle the elements.

There appeared to be more house parties this New Year's Eve than in previous years and many couples celebrated with a "visiting evening"—going from party to party to wish their friends well.

The public parties and dances were well attended though, and reports from the Empress Hotel, the various golf clubs and dance halls were unanimous: "A good time was had by all."

## TWO DANCES CANCELLED

Nevertheless at least two public dances were cancelled at the last minute because of lack of reservations, and prices of admission at some others were lowered to make them more attractive.

Couples with young children found baby-sitter charges high this year and many decided to forgo the annual outside celebrations in favor of home affairs.

Special church services were held New Year's Eve and on New Year's Day and here, too, the attendances were not as large as expected. Weather was given as the reason.

There were few celebrators downtown as the old year passed.

Midnight shows New Year's Day were fairly well attended, theatre men reported. There were three special showings.

The many public receptions Monday drew large crowds. The



The Lieutenant-Governor, left, greets William M. Olive, U.S. vice-consul in Victoria, and Paul W. Meyer, right, U.S. consul.

Government House reception of Lieut-Gov. Charles A. Banks was the feature. A reception at the City Hall was attended by approximately 500 citizens and army and navy receptions were reported successful.

## FOUR THOUSAND SEE HOCKEY

The one sports event of the New Year's week-end, a profes-

sional hockey game between Victoria Cougars and Vancouver Canucks, drew a crowd of over 4,000. The only other athletic event, a soccer game Monday, was cancelled by the bad weather.

Travel between the island and the mainland was fairly brisk although the dayboat from Vancouver Monday was not over crowded.

## More Rain, Sunshine Here; 26 Inches Of Snow In 1949

Victoria had more precipitation and more sunshine during 1949 than it usually has during a year, William Burton, superintendent of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory, reported today from his annual compilation of weather statistics.

Precipitation for the year measured 31.22 inches, 4.46 inches more than normal. Sunshine for the 12 months totaled 2,290 hours, a full 97 hours more than usual here.

Most startling fact in Mr. Burton's year-end report is that Victoria had 26.2 inches of snow during the year. Of this total, 5.3 inches fell in January; 10.6 inches in February, and 10.3 inches in December.

Total snowfall, reduced to water, made up 2.62 inches of precipitation. Rainfall accounted for the remainder 28.6 inches.

## RECORDS SET

Two new records were established during the year. On Feb. 16 the rainfall was measured at 3.18 inches, greatest amount of precipitation in any 24-hour period here. Second record was established on Nov. 22 when the temperature soared to 66 degrees, highest ever for that month.

Hottest day in the whole year was Sept. 5 when observatory thermometers showed a temperature of 82. Coldest day was Feb. 12 when mercury fell to 19. During December, the mean

temperature was 39 degrees. Maximum temperature of 55 was registered on the 28th and the minimum of 22, on the 19th. Precipitation for the month was 8.63 inches, 3.91 above normal.

The sun shone during the 31 days of the month for a total of 56 hours, 10 hours less than normal.

## Young Soldier Does \$423 In Damage To City Clothing Store

A young soldier, who did \$423 in damage to O. H. Dorman's clothing store at 1328 Douglas Street during the New Year week-end, pleaded guilty to a charge of committing wilful damage when he appeared in city police court today.

The soldier, Lawrence Crawford, was remanded by Magistrate H. C. Hall to next Monday for sentence. Remand was given so that Crawford could try to find some way in which to pay for the damage.

According to police, Crawford smashed three plate-glass windows of the store and damaged \$143 worth of goods on display.

Claude L. Harrison, city prosecutor, said it was a case of accused having been drunk. Noting that a soldier's pay is small and that he probably would not be able to pay such a large bill, Mr. Harrison suggested a short sentence as the penalty. Lawrence was arrested by Constable Perry.

## Thief Broke Window

The person who kicked in the door window of the Irene Carrol Corset Shop, 803 Fort Street, Sunday night, stole underclothing worth \$7, city police report.

## O.C. Soccer

LONDON (Reuters)—Results of soccer games today in the United Kingdom:

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division A

Aberdeen 0, Hibernian 3.

Clyde 2, Falkirk 2.

Heart of Midlothian 0, Motherwell 0, Dundee 0.

Queen of the South 0, East Fife 0.

Raith Rovers 1, Celtic 1.

Rangers 3, Third Lanark 0.

Swindon 0, Albion 0.

Albion Rovers 1, Dunfermline Athletic 3.

Arbroath 3, Hamilton Academical 3.

Ayr United 0, Alloa Athletic 1.

Cowdenbeath 3, Dundee 2.

Dundee United 3, Kilmarnock 0.

Morton 1, Forfar Athletic 1.

Queen's Park 2, Airdrieonians 0.

Stenhousemuir 2, St. Johnstone 0.

The first catcher's mask was worn in 1875.

## Five City Navy Officers Named In Promotion List

Five Victorians are among 23 senior officers whose promotions are announced by Defence Minister Brooke Claxton in the Royal Canadian Navy's half-yearly promotions list.

The permanent force is represented by 16 members, including the Victorians, and the Royal Canadian Navy (Reserve) by seven. The Victorians are: Cmdr. M. A. Medland, commanding officer, H.M.C.S. Cayuga, to be captain; Lt.-Cmdr. J. M. Leeming, H.M.C.S. Naden, Esquimalt, to be commander; Lt.-Cmdr. (E) R. J. McKeown, H.M.C.S. Niobe, London, to be commander (E); Lt.-Cmdr.



CMR. J. M. LEEMING

To be commander—Lt.-Cmdr. F. E. Grubb, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa, for duty with Chief of Naval Personnel.

To be commander (L)—Lt.-Cmdr. (L) H. D. McCormick, H.M.C.S. Niobe, London.

To be ordnance commander—Ordnance Lt.-Cmdr. R. V. Henning, Director of Fire Control, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

To be instructor commander—Instructor Lt.-Cmdr. R. S. Martin, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

To be commander (S)—Lt.-Cmdr. (S) F. D. Elcock, H.M.C.S. Bytown, Ottawa.

To be surgeon commander—A-Surgeon Cmdr. F. G. W. MacHattie, H.M.C.S. York, Toronto, for public health course at University of Toronto.

To be commander (SB)—Lt.-Cmdr. (SB) H. A. Stowell, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

## ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY (RESERVE)

To be captain—Cmdr. W. E. S. Briggs, D.S.C., commanding officer, H.M.C.S. Scotian, Halifax.

Cmdr. Reginald Jackson, O.B.E., commanding officer, H.M.C.S. Tecumseh, Calgary.

To be surgeon captain—Surgeon-Cmdr. H. S. Morton, O.B.E., H.M.C.S. Donnacona, Montreal.

To be commander—Lt.-Cmdr. R. P. White, O.B.E., executive officer, H.M.C.S. Carleton, Ottawa.

A-Cmdr. N. S. C. Dickinson, executive officer, H.M.C.S. York, Toronto.

A-Cmdr. W. W. Spicer, commanding officer, H.M.C.S. Queen, Regina.

To be surgeon commander—Surgeon Lt.-Cmdr. L. E. Prowse, H.M.C.S. Queen Charlotte, Charlottetown.



CAPT. M. A. MEDLAND

(E) Frank Marley, officer-in-charge, Mechanical Training Establishment, H.M.C.S. Naden, Esquimalt, to be commander (E), and A-Cmdr. (S) D. K. M. Graham, supply officer, H.M.C.S. Cornwallis, N.S., to be commander (S).

List of promotions of the others, including many who have served on this coast during their naval careers, is as follows:

To be Commodore (E)—Capt. (E) Arthur G. M. Davy, O.B.E., engineer-in-chief and deputy chief of Naval Technical Services, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

To be captain—Cmdr. J. V. Brock, D.S.C., Director of Naval Plans and Operations, Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

To be captain (E)—Cmdr. (E) John B. Caldwell, M.B.E., assistant chief of Naval Technical Services (Air), Naval Headquarters, Ottawa.

To be surgeon captain—Surgeon-Cmdr. Eric H. Lee, Command Medical Officer, Atlantic Command, and Principal Medical Officer, H. M. C. S. Stadacona, Halifax.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's French classes re-open Jan. 7. G 1962.

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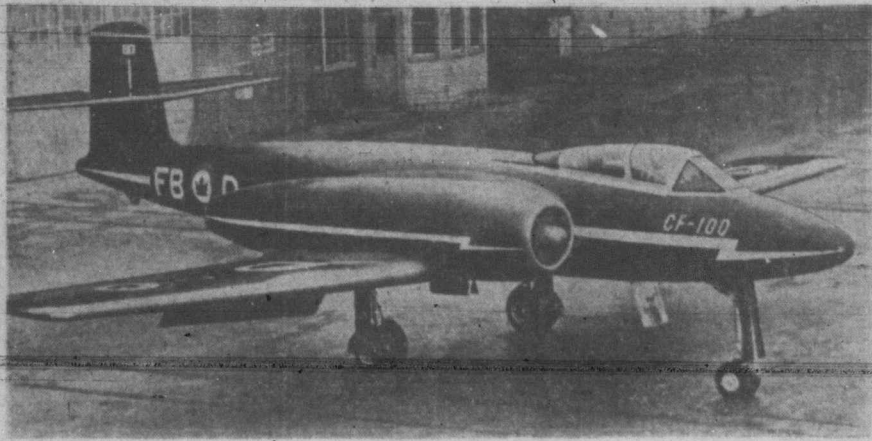












**CANADIAN PLANE IS WORLD'S NEWEST**—The latest in jet fighters, the CF-100, was unveiled this week for taxi tests at Malton, Ont., where it was built by A. V. Roe Canada Ltd. The long, sleek night-fighter and long-range intruder is designed to travel at more than 600 miles an hour. No date has been set for flight tests.—(CP Photo)

## British Papers Criticize Washington China Policy

LONDON (AP)—Three of Britain's leading papers strongly criticized Washington's China policy Monday and said they feared it would strain the Anglo-American partnership.

Their declarations were made at the start of the week in which many observers expect Britain formally to announce recognition of Communist China. The comment was in connection with reports from Washington that, far from recognizing the Peiping regime of Communist Mao Tse-tung, the United States may give some further moral or other aid to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in defending the island of Formosa.

Reports from responsible informants in Washington said President Truman had taken a stand against using American troops to defend the strategic islands 100 miles off the Chinese coast, but that his decision did not preclude economic and political aid. Some congressmen were reported proposing the United States take over Formosan air bases in return for limited military aid.

The United States already has ordered an aircraft carrier and other warcraft to reinforce its fleet in Asiatic waters, and the American joint chiefs of staff are

to visit the Far East—avoiding Formosa—in February.

The Times of London, the Daily Telegraph and the Manchester Guardian all warned editorially of possible adverse effects should the United States aid in defending Formosa while Britain backed the Peiping Reds.

"Having washed her hands of Chiang, she (the United States) is now unwashing them," said the Manchester Guardian. "It is the old trouble of trying to unscramble an omelette."

### SQUALID STRUGGLE

"Britain and the United States would find themselves recognizing opposite sides in a squalid and useless struggle in the China Sea," said the Times.

The Conservative Daily Telegraph described American policy toward China as "vainglorious and impetuous," and one which might strain future British-American relations.

The Manchester Guardian, most critical of the three newspapers, said "this new decision over China is a result of domestic politics. These can be understood and there is no use complaining. But none the less the action in Formosa is deplorable."

"It is rare for a government to repeat its mistakes so exactly and quickly as Mr. Truman's administration has now done."

## Gordon, New Head Of C.N.R., Asks All To Aid Progress

MONTREAL (CP)—Donald Gordon, newly-appointed chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways system, told Canadians in a radio address they should "not only have a conscious and vocal pride in the past accomplishments of Canada but should also be believers in Canada of the future."

Mr. Gordon Jan. 1 took over the top executive job in the C.N.R. and his remarks, over a trans-Canada network of the CBC, constituted his first public address in his new position.

Mr. Gordon, in his New Year's Day message, said his family—the C.N.R.—is "no longer small." "It is the largest in Canada—the Canadian National family." "As this broadcast has shown you," he said, "it extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Its members are scattered even farther afield—in the United States, in the British Isles and other countries of Europe, in the Orient, and in remote Australasia."

"We should not forget, however, that a family is made up of individuals; and I regard it as important that each employee of our system should think of himself as an individual—an individual who has a personal part to play in making our railway a success."

### CANADA'S CENTURY

"On this New Year's Day we Canadians stand on the threshold of the second half of the 20th century, the century, you remember, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said would belong to Canada."

"Every Canadian should not only have a conscious and vocal pride in the past accomplishments of Canada, but he should also be a believer in Canada and the future. Nowhere is this more called for than from the workers in our great transportation systems. For they have inherited a tremendous legacy from the railway builders of the past, those nation builders who backed their belief in the destiny of Canada with such monumental vision, initiative and courage."

## Events Abroad Affecting 1950 Economic Outlook Of Canada

By FORBES RHUDE

Canadian Press Business Editor

There is a tendency to regard 1950 in terms of the simple query "will it be a good year or a bad year?"

And by that we mean, mostly, "will it be good or bad for me?" That is looking at the year and the world in a personal sense; wondering how economic laws will work themselves out; whether or not there will be plenty of jobs.

That is certainly a concern to anyone. But it may be overlooking that the best way to ensure jobs in, say, Canada and the United States, is to do something to see that people have jobs elsewhere in the world.

For, as the most fortunate persons in the world today, North Americans need to give a great deal of thought to the well-being of peoples elsewhere. It may be overlooking, too, that economic laws have little chance to work themselves out, as they once did. They are powerfully directed by international political developments.

The year just past, despite continuance of the cold war and the Communist sweep in China, has had a tendency to make us forget that new and greater international political crises are building up.

It has seemed more like the continuance of an old crisis to which we have become accustomed.

### NEW PROBLEMS

Actually, it is more likely that the foundations have been laid for fresh crises; that the year 1950 has seen the laying of powder kegs which are likely to blow up, possibly in 1950, possibly later.

There seems to be a truly global story in the making. If the West, and especially North

America, is to make its influence dominant in that story, it must not for one moment forget its responsibilities to the parts of the world which are still open to it. Which means that no person in North America should forget his or her responsibilities to others elsewhere.

LONDON—At Bow Street police court magistrate J. F. Eastwood asked for a half-bottle of gin found on a woman defendant as security for money lent her by the court.

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**2.39**

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**2.19**

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HALF PRICE

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## Electric Heaters

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Here's good news for you thrifty home owners... Varied assortment of linoleum remnants, including Rexoleums, Congoleums and inlaid linoleums. Choice of colours and designs.

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## Dress and Walking Shoes

Clearance of broken lines... pumps, sandals, straps and ties in smooth leathers or soft suedes, some with platform soles. Cuban and high heels. A choice of colours, in sizes 4½ to 9 collectively.

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## Loafers and Sandals

Women's and co-ed's shoes in leathers and suedes. Loafers with moccasin vamps and strap sandals with open heels and toes. Black, brown, blue and wine in the group. Broken sizes.

Half-Day Special, **3.49**

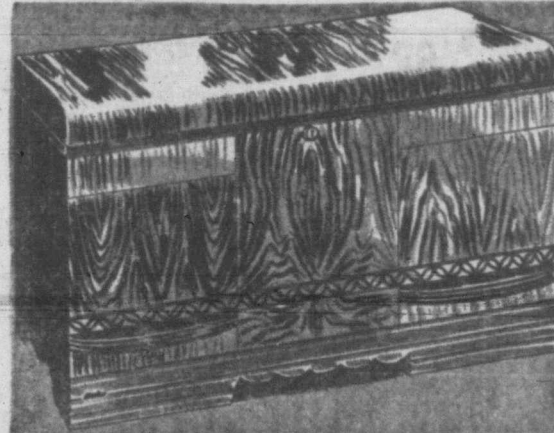
## Children's Oxfords and Straps

Specially priced for Wednesday morning shoppers. School oxfords and party straps with good wearing leather soles and rubber heels. Brown, wine and black patent in the group. Sizes 12½ to 3 collectively.

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Half-Day Special, **29.50**

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Styled to insure sleeping comfort! Plumply filled with good quality feathers... attractively encased in floral ticking. Standard size.

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# FOUR STAR FINAL

VANCOUVER (CP)—Three teen-agers who ganged up on a doctor, after he had operated on the mother of one of the boys, today were jailed for six months and the magistrate regretted the sentence couldn't be stiffer.

"I regret I can't sentence you to a longer term: I'm limited to six months," Magistrate W. V. B. Macdonald told the three boys, Farano, described as the ring leader of the trio.

Dr. Keith Burwell complained that the Farano, along with Kenneth Boyer, 18, and James Whittaker, 17, came to his west end home Dec. 15 and savagely attacked him. Farano, he said, slashed him across the left kidney with a spring knife, commonly called a "shiv."

FIFTH RACE—Bik looking  
Waseley, 111  
Creston 109  
Sticker 114  
Hearst 169  
Best Truck 400

SIXTH RACE—Bik Juries  
Fresno Boy 111  
Mr. Jacomer 112  
Glenview 112  
O J Josie 106

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and a sixteenth  
Dado 110  
Sally Strawn 108  
She Can 108  
Joey 111

EIGHTH RACE—Mile and a sixteenth  
Big Head 113  
Nancy 112  
Sally Carmel 107  
Middleman 115  
Brooklyn 107  
Umbraglio 102  
Pineapple 107  
Micky Q 128  
Jenny 115

Ninth race, 11:45 a.m.  
First post, 11:45 a.m.

B-Ruby  
E-Sperry  
Parkins  
Creston 111  
Mrs. Valenti 108  
Cargo 108  
Harris 107  
Lynn D. 100  
Lugor A. 112  
Polante Boy 110

Mile and a sixteenth  
Fate 108  
Can't Laughly 109  
Arties 111  
Clover Moss 103  
Bright Callent 107  
Camolino 110  
Hike 115  
Pinkie June 107  
Jonis 118  
Yardina Street 102

Elmout Beauty (Guthrie)	\$4.40	\$3.00	\$2.60
Fair Porter (Coffman)	---	5.50	4.50
Big Ditch (West)	---	---	4.40
Sixth Race—			
Swains (Coffman)	\$6.80	\$4.00	\$2.60
Look Here (Kenne)	---	3.50	2.50
Phaelater (Hart)	---	---	6.50
Seventh Race—			
Dance Bandit (Wood)	\$95.00	\$13.00	\$7.00

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## Fairgrounds

**FIRST RACE—Mile and a sixteen:**  
 Piro Quest 112  
 Two Day Air 112  
 Young 112  
 Veru Lumen 107  
 Madis L 105  
 Tass 105  
 Lober 105  
 Old Ret 107  
 Rotala 107  
 Idie Hero 116  
 Hastings 112  
 Nebraska Cash 112

**SECOND RACE—Six furlongs:**  
 Rags 112  
 Paul W 110  
 Rags 112  
 Sweet Lee 107  
 Rags 112  
 Handson 112  
 Cheswald 107  
 Rags 112

**THIRD RACE—Six furlongs:**  
 Survey 105  
 Fighting Loe 113  
 Ray 112  
 Graybeard 108  
 Payson 110  
 Tucky Gold 110  
 Ray 112

**FOURTH RACE—Two miles:**  
 Bul Shoals 113  
 Ch-Chippy V 110  
 Ray 112  
 Psychic Taz 116  
 Ray 112  
 Burial 113  
 Liability 116  
 Ch-Chippy V 110  
 Hearts Futler 118

**FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs:**  
 Wascor 112  
 Gerham 113  
 Wascor 112  
 Aquas Queen 109  
 Wascor 112

**SIXTH RACE—Six furlongs:**  
 Felix 112  
 Equisite 116  
 Joas 108  
 Polaris 110  
 Lucky Al 113  
 Polaris 110

**SEVENTH RACE—One and a sixteen:**  
 Brown Ann 109  
 Drows 110  
 Drows 110  
 Cea Con 108

**EIGHTH RACE—Mile and a sixteen:**  
 Big Head 112  
 Stepted 112  
 Carmel 107  
 Stepted 112  
 Ironanza 112  
 Umbrage 112  
 Stepted 112  
 G 112  
 Stepted 112  
 Micky 107

**NINTH RACE—Mile and a sixteen:**  
 Clover Miss 103  
 Stepted 112  
 Camolino 110  
 Stepted 112  
 Khayram 107  
 Hike 115  
 Stepted 112  
 June 107  
 Jona 118  
 Valma Secret 102

First post, 11:45 a.m.

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NEW YORK (AP)—New York Rangers of the National Hockey League announced today Bill Kyle, centre and wing of the Regina team of the Western Canada Senior League, will join the Rangers for a three-game tryout.

FIRST RACE—Three furlongs:	
Pet Bully 118	Teddy L 118
Blue Whiskers 118	Speedy 118
Blue Whisk 118	Paul's Pride 113
Slop Cap 118	c-Royal Ronger 118
Blue Whisk 118	Blue Whisk 118
Addicks 118	b-Banger 118
Blue Whisk 118	b-Banger 118
b-Veekes 118	b-Entry 118
Blue Whisk 118	b-Entry 118
Mo No Wait 118	c-Entry 118
Old Helio 118	
SECOND RACE—Six furlongs:	
Master 118	Speedy Touch 113
Equilibrize 118	Chaveros 113
Enticement 118	Howley 118
Glade 118	Blue Whisk 118
John's Admiral 118	Officer 118
THIRD RACE—Seven furlongs:	
Blue Whisk 118	Speedy Touch 118
Wild Kate 108	Capistrano 118
Phantom Heels 118	Indian Barbery 118
Blue Whisk 118	Blue Whisk 118
Barbed Heels 118	Castle Cox 108
Blue Whisk 118	Blue Whisk 118
Pathless 118	Amay 108
Blue Whisk 118	Amay 108
Blue Whisk 118	Deep Mystery 118
FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs:	
Directness 118	Blue Whisk 118
Sw Tracer 118	Foreman 118
Blue Whisk 118	Blue Whisk 118
Best Request 113	Platform 118
High Fun 108	Slyone 118

First Race—		
Lady Harp	\$6.80	\$3.90 \$2.70
Star Bore		13.00 7.50
War Per Diam		3.30
Mya Anne, Ringing Tone,		3.70
Starb Mad, Some Peace.		
Second Race—		
Nettie Marie	\$6.60	\$4.10 \$3.60
Scratched		3.10 2.70
Bickie Dill		5.60
Scratched: Bird King, Blue Rose, Queen		
Third Race—		
Mr. Kilroy	\$7.00	\$4.10 \$3.20
Cadet		4.40 2.10
Scratched		3.70
Scratched: Merry Quick, Top Ma, Down		
Blow, Mess Boy.		
Fourth Race—		
Archie Mark	\$7.40	\$4.80 \$3.20
Arndine		4.70 3.70
Scratched: Tax Lien, Sandpaper, Golden		
Leaf, Freddy Jones.		
Fifth Race—		
Archie	\$7.60	\$3.90 \$3.60
Internal Great		3.10 3.00
Undirbar		4.50
Sixth Race—		
Archie	\$20.50	\$4.00 \$2.50
Armed		3.90 2.80
No Sunny		2.30
Scratched: Tehabad.		
Seventh Race—		
Favorite	\$12.80	\$7.10 \$5.00
Greensun		11.60 8.00
Chlorine Chance		7.50
Scratched: Indian Jewel.		
Eighth Race—		
Virale Gosh	\$9.50	\$5.00 \$4.40
Epitaph		7.80 5.00
Impact		10.10
Scratched: By Heart, Pine Lake, Mr.		
Henry, Danada Red.		

## Operation Successful

NEW YORK (UP)—President Branch Rickey of the Brooklyn Dodgers announced today that shortstop Peeewe Reese had undergone a successful operation for an inguinal hernia in Louisville, Ky., this morning and that he would be ready to report for spring training March 1.

## Joins U.S. Fleet In Western Pacific

The aircraft carrier U.S.S. Boxer, together with two destroyers, has been ordered into the western Pacific to reinforce the 7th Task Fleet, the navy announced. The 7th, under the command of Admiral R. S. Burke, is within easy reach of Communist-threatened Formosa.—(NEA Telephoto)

BELLINGHAM, Wash. (AP)—The San Diego Baseball Club of the Pacific Coast League has asked Bellingham interested whether they would be interested in taking over the Western International League franchise the Padres now operate at Tacoma.

The query came from William Starr, San Diego president, who wired the Chamber of Commerce and there is a possibility of moving into the Tacoma franchise.

Starr was advised by the chamber to contact officials of the Bellingham Bells. Manager Joe Martin of the Bells, Washington state semi-pro champions, said "we are interested but want to learn more about the proposition."

Bellingham held a franchise in the W.I.L. during 1928 and 1929, the league moving it then to Salem, Ore., because of poor attendance here.

## Dr. Sander Indicted

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP)—Dr. Hermann Sander tonight was indicted by a grand jury on a charge of first-degree murder in the so-called "mercy killing" of a cancer-ridden patient.

Dr. Sander was accused by the state of injecting air into the veins of Mrs. Abbie Borroto, 59, as she was near death from the ailment in a hospital last month.

## Alberta Governor To Retire Feb. 1

EDMONTON (BUP)—Reliable reports here said today Alberta's Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. J. C. Bowen, will retire on Feb. 1. He has held that post since 1937.

An unofficial report says J. J. Bowen, a Calgary rancher and former Liberal member of the Alberta Legislature, may succeed Mr. Bowen.

An increase from six to 10 standing committees was recommended to City Council this afternoon by Mayor Percy E. George in his inaugural address.

On reviewing his reduced committee plan of last year, he said he ~~felt~~ the number of standing committees should equal the number of aldermen. Last year committees were reconstituted from 15 to six.

from council this year, was finance chairman for a number of years.

A new committee entitled Intermunicipal-Unification of Services and Greater Victoria Amalgamation Research was recommended with Ald. Waldo Skilling proposed as chairman. A detailed study of essential ser-

Ald. D. D. McTavish and Ald. H. M. Diggon today were appointed by City Council as acting mayors for 1950.

Mayor Percy George recommended Ald. McTavish be acting mayor for the first half of the year, and Ald. Diggon for the last half.

Today's Final Prices  
On Vancouver Market

Oil—	Mid.	Asked
Anaconda	8 1/2	8 1/2
Anglo-Canadian	495	470
Canadian	128	133
British Dominion	815	830
Can. & E. Corp.	630	644
Calumet	53	53
Central	130	133
Connell	50	50
Commonwealth	130	130
Dahota	43	45
East Leeds	63	63
Globe Oil	14	14
Highland	12 1/2	12 1/2
Highwood Sarscoe	17 1/2	15 1/2
Home Oil	72	72
Leeds West	72	72
McDonald Segur	12	12
Marquette	12	12
Okla.	450	450
Pacific Pet.	450	450
Rocky Canadian	45	46
Superior	45	46
Volante	21	—
Vulcan	30	—
W. B. C.	—	—
W. B. C. Cons.	800	800
B. R. N. (1935)	5 1/2	10
Canarus	4 1/2	—
Carbon	136	140
Carroll	2 1/2	—
Leasee Copper	4 1/2	—
Grconda	28	33
Grandview	12	12
Gold. Wilkane	3 1/2	3 1/2
Highland Mascot	32	35
Highland Belle	115	120
Leasee	115	120
Leasee	115	120
Pend Oreille	975	980
Pioneer Oil	815	815
Pioneer Border	3	3 1/2
Privateer	14	16
Quadeo Copper	6	6
Sears McDonald	240	250
Shaw	118	122
Shaw Creek	118	122
Black Premier	27	27
Unity Bridge	27	27
Vanada	12	10
Vellington	1 1/2	2
W. B. C.	—	—
W. B. C. Forest Products	2650	3000
C. C. Fuel	51	—
Thurard Drydock	275	285
Canadian Western Lumber	250	250
Canadian	250	250
Coast Brwlers	235	241
R. Macmillan A.	00	—
Do. B.	72	—
Pacific Oil	42	45
Power	4200	—
Penn Publishing	1775	1875
Penn Publishing Paper B	1775	1875
Do. B.	300	—

A drop in the tax rate from the present high of 83 mills and early institution of the office of municipal manager were called for by Mayor Percy George in his inaugural address at City Hall this afternoon. At the same time, the mayor warned against borrowing money except in dire necessity.

Education costs and salaries and wages were listed by His Worship as the unknown quantities affecting the mill rate and he urged all to be reasonable.

"All groups of city staff have forwarded their requests for increases in salaries and wages, which, if granted in full, could almost break the city financially," he said.

He warned that on a per capita basis, Victoria's debenture debt was one of the highest among the larger cities of Canada.

"If it is humanly possible, I would like to see this council set a goal of a tax rate which will produce the same number of dollars as was levied in 1949 and use the levy on the income assessment to reduce the mill rate," Mayor George said.

"The present rate of 53 mills is, in my opinion, too high for real property to continue to pay indefinitely.

"A slight fall-off in business conditions would again start increasing reversions to the city and the consequent increase in

"Taxes levied amounted to \$2,406,890 and while final figures on collections cannot be given at this time, indications are that the percentage collected will compare favorably with 1948 in spite of the increase in the amount levied and the raising of the mill rate by 7 1/2 mills."

In view to formulation of a trades licenses and business tax by-

Amount available from land sales collections for the city will be less than last year by \$50,000.

Net taxable assessment will again show an increase over the previous year. Land will be higher by \$1,186,000 and with the increase in other collections \$139,000 will be yielded to the city coffers.

A definite policy as a basis for council discussion, with a law that could become operative July 15 of this year was asked of the finance committee by Mayor George.

Discussing school costs, the mayor said the school board contemplated opening the new View Royal School in January and the Topaz Avenue Junior High School next September.

"Collections and receipts of the various departments during 1949 were very satisfactory," he continued.

A white or yellow base line along the centre of important arterial streets will aid motorists in the event of fog.

Sidewalk inspection and clearance service; painting of the City Hall's exterior; provision of suitable office space for the municipal manager and his staff and for an office services department.

## Wants City Hall To Wait

Question of a new city hall could be left in abeyance pending return by the city "to taxation at a more reasonable level," Mayor George said. He recommended retrenchment with regard to Beacon Hill Park funds with greater development of other parks and playgrounds.

**Med Plants Lay Off 600 In Winnipeg**

WINNIPEG (CP)—About 600 meat packinghouse workers in the Greater Winnipeg area will

be laid off this week and additional layoffs may follow, G. Stapleton, field representative of the United Packinghouse Workers of America (C.I.O.), said today.



Mr. Stapleton said the union is concerned because the layoffs affect men and women with as much as six years seniority. Company officials said the layoffs are largely seasonal but have been aggravated by blizzard conditions which have locked up country roads and halted deliveries to plants.

**Moscow Snubs Attlee  
On 67th Birthday**

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee was 67 years old today. His deputy, Herbert Morrison, was 62.

The anniversaries received little attention in the British press and were the occasion of an apparent snub by Moscow.

**out Malice**

Accompanied by his wife, leaves after being released on bail

Attlee's official residence, 10 Downing Street, said today Moscow so far neither acknowledged the greeting nor sent one on Attlee's own birthday.

### Weather Forecast

Intermittent snow today. Cloudy with a few snow flurries tonight and Wednesday; milder with light winds. Low tonight, 20; high Wednesday, 30.